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OF THE

SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

AT ITS SESSIONS

AT

ABBEVILLE C. H., S. C.

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The Synod of South Carolina met, according to adjournment, in the Presbyterian church, at Abbeville C. H., on Wednesday, November 6, 1861, at 7 o'clock, P. M., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. T. L. McBryde, D. D. (the last Moderator present), from John v, 23: "That all men should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father."

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Upon calling the roll, the following persons were found to be

PRESENT:

PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Ministers.	*Ruling Elders.*	*Churches.*
D. Humphreys,	T. H. Russell,	Carmel.
T. L. McBryde,	A. W. Peden,	Fairview.
J. C. Williams,	Rob't Blakely,	Friendship.
E. F. Hyde,	David Sadler,	Good Hope and Roberts.
J. O. Lindsay,	James Cowan,	Greenville.
D. C. Boggs,	W. T. Drennan,	Hopewell and Lodimont.
W. F. Pearson,	C. B. Griffin,	Lebanon.
D. McNeill Turner,	J. P. Watts,	Liberty Spring.
J. F. Gibert,	J. W. Black,	Little Mountain.
E. T. Buist,	Jas. Gillam,	Rock.
W. McWhorter,	E. T. Ferguson,	Rocky Spring.
W. H. Davis,	R. H. Wardlaw,	Upper Long Cane.
John McLees,	N. Harris,	Willington.
	R. A. Griffin,	Ninety-Six.

PRESBYTERY OF BETHEL.

Ministers.	*Ruling Elders.*	*Churches.*
S. L. Watson,	A. P. Campbell,	Bethel.
J. H. Saye,	J. J. Moore,	Bethesda.
W. Banks,	R. L. Miller,	Catholic and Pleasant Grove.
J. M. H. Adams,	T. P. Carlisle,	Concord and Mt. Olivet.
J. R. Baird,	P. Garrison,	Ebenezer.
J. E. White,	E. G. Wright,	Fairforest and Grindal Shoal.
A. A. James,	Jas. Robinson,	Hopewell,
J. S. Harris,	H. C. Brawley,	Purity.
D. Harrison,	Jas. G. Lowry,	Zion.

PRESBYTERY OF HARMONY.

Ministers.	*Ruling Elders.*	*Churches.*
T. R. English,	J. R. Magill,	Beaver Creek.
S. H. Hay,	J. S. McFadden,	Brewington and Manning.
J. McDowell,	A. M. Kennedy,	Camden.
T. E. Smith,	D. R. Gregg,	Hopewell.
J. G. Richards,	W. Dickson,	Liberty Hill.
I. J. Long,	J. McCreight,	Scion.

CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Ruling Elder.*	*Church.*
A. W. Leland,	Wm. Harral,	Glebe Street.
H. B. Cunningham.		
H. R. Dickson.		

ABSENT:

PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Ministers.—A. W. Ross, A. D. Montgomery, W. Carlisle, J. L. Kennedy, C. B. Stewart, Z. L. Holmes, Rob't McLees, S. S. Gaillard, J. B. Hillhouse, R. H. Reid, W. W. Sharpe, J. R. Riley.

Churches not represented.—Anderson C. H., Antioch, Bethany, Bethel, Bethesda, Bethia, Clinton, Duncan's Creek, Gilder's Creek and Smyrna, Hopewell (Pendleton), Laurens C. H., Little River, Midway, Mount Bethel, Mount Calvary, Mount Tabor, Mount Zion, Nazareth, Nazareth (Beaver Dam), New Harmony, North Pacolet, Pickens C. H., Retreat, Richland, Shady Grove, Spartanburg C. H., Tugalo, Warrior's Creek, Washington Street (Greenville), Willington, Honea Path.

PRESBYTERY OF BETHEL.

Ministers.—L. W. Curtis, J. M. Anderson, J. A. Davies, B. L. Beall, C. R. Smith, W. T. Hall, J. N. Craig, T. W. Erwin.

Churches not represented.—Allison's Creek, Beersheba, Bullock's Creek, Cane Creek, Cedar Shoal, Douglas, Lancasterville and Waxhaw, Fishing Creek, Salem, Shiloh, Six-Mile Creek, Unionville, Unity, Yorkville.

PRESBYTERY OF HARMONY.

Ministers.—J. C. Coit, D. McQueen, W. Brearley, P. Pierson, M. D. Fraser, G. C. Gregg, D. E. Frierson, G. W. Boggs, G. Morgan, W. W. Wilson, James Douglas, J. R. Gilland, J. A. Cousar, W. C. Sutton, W. B. Corbett, C. H. Wilson, E. O. Frierson, J. C. Kennedy, H. M. Brearley, Robert Bradley.

Churches not represented.—Aimwell, Bennettsville, Bishopville, Carolina, Cheraw, Concord, Darlington, Elon, Great Pee Dee, Hephzibah, Horeb, Indiantown, Kingston, Lebanon, Little Pee Dee, Lynchburg, Marion C. H., Midway, Mt. Zion, Pine Hill, Pine Tree, Pisgah, Red Bluff, Reedy Creek, Salem (Black River), Salem (Little River), Sumter, Turkey Creek, White Oak, Williamsburg.

CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.—W. S. Lee, E. Palmer, J. Forrest, T. Smyth, W. C. Dana, J. L. Kirkpatrick, W. B. Yates, John Douglas, I. S. K. Legaré, T. H. Legaré, J. Cohen, J. R. Dow, D. X. Lafar, A. F. Dickson, J. L. Girardeau, M. D. Wood, J. H. Carroll, A. P. Smith, J. E. Axson, F. P. Mullally.

Churches not represented:—Aiken, Barnwell, Beech Island, Charleston: Second church, Central church, Zion, Columbia, First church, James Island, Johns' Island and Wadmalaw, Orangeburg, Stoney Creek, Summerville, Walterborough, Wilton.

Upon completing the roll, Synod proceeded to the election of officers.

The Rev. J. M. H. Adams was elected Moderator, and the Rev. D. McNeill Turner, D. D., Temporary Clerk, and Rev. S. H. Hay, Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Rev. D. Humphreys, the reading of the rules for the government of church judicatories was dispensed with.

The Rev. Ferdinand Jacobs, of the Synod of Alabama, and the Rev. David Porter, of the Synod of Georgia, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

On motion of Dr. Turner, Synod resolved to meet at half-past nine o'clock in the morning, and to continue in session until half-past two, P. M., allowing a recess at eleven o'clock for public worship, and to convene again at seven o'clock, P. M., commencing its proceedings with public worship.

On motion of Rev. J. H. Saye, the reading of the Minutes of Synod, at its last sessions, was dispensed with, and printed copies were distributed among the members.

A letter from the Stated Clerk was read, assigning reasons for absence from the present sessions, and calling the attention of Synod to the bill for the printing of the Minutes. The excuse was sustained and the letter docketed.

On motion of Rev. D. Humphreys, Synod adjourned, to meet on to-morrow at half-past nine o'clock, A. M.

Closed with prayer by Moderator.

THURSDAY MORNING, November 7, 1861.

Synod met, and was opened with the usual devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator.

The Minutes of the preceding day were read, amended, and approved.

The following persons appeared, and were enrolled:

Ministers.—S. Donnelly, J. H. Thornwell, D. D., J. D. Burkhead.

Ruling Elders.—A. Giles, Providence and Rocky River. These brethren assigned reasons for tardiness, which were sustained.

On motion of Dr. Cunningham, all letters assigning reasons for absence from the last and the present sessions of Synod, were referred to the Committee on Leave of Absence.

On motion of Dr. Turner, the standing rule of Synod, which requires the subject of Domestic Missions to be considered on this day, at twelve, M., was altered, so that the subject might be taken up at eleven, A. M., and the resolution of yesterday, with reference to the hours for business, was modified accordingly.

Dr. Buist presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of one Minister and one Elder from each Presbytery be appointed, to prepare a suitable paper respecting the relations of this body to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

On motion of Dr. McBryde, a committee, consisting of Rev. D. Humphreys, Rev. S. Donnelly, and Elder J. Gillam, were appointed to bring in a Minute with reference to the death of Rev. A. W. Ross, of the Presbytery of South Carolina.

On motion of Dr. Buist, a committee, consisting of Rev. T. E. Smith, Rev. S. H. Hay, and Elder J. McCreight, was appointed to bring in a Minute with reference to the death of Rev. G. C. Gregg, of the Presbytery of Harmony.

The Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries were presented, and are as follows, viz:

The Presbytery of South Carolina report: That they consist of thirty-one Ministers, and have under their care fifty-three Churches, four Licentiates, and five Candidates. They have installed Rev. D. McNeill Turner, D. D., Pastor of Upper Long Cane church; and have ordained and installed Rev. J. R. Riley Pastor of Laurensville church. They have dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Robert McLees and Smyrna and Gilder's Creek churches; and have organized a new church at Honea Path. They have licensed Mr. J. N. Woodruff and Mr. J. R. Robinson, and have dismissed the former to join the Presbytery of Florida, and dismissed the licentiate D. W. Humphreys to join the Presbytery of North Mississippi. The Presbytery has also dissolved its connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.) of the United States, and have appointed Commissioners to a General Assembly of the Confederate States, to be held at Augusta, Georgia, on the 4th day of December next. And the Stated Clerk would report that, since the meeting of Presbytery, the Rev. A. W. Ross has departed this life.

The Presbytery of Bethel report: That they consist of fifteen ministers, and have under their care twenty-seven Churches, one Licentiate, and six Candidates. Of their Ministers, eleven are Pastors, four are Stated Supplies, and one is without charge, being in feeble health and residing out of our bounds.

Two of their Pastors, J. N. Craig and W. T. Hall, are, at present, chaplains in the army; and two of their Stated Supplies also are Domestic Missionaries. They have dismissed Rev. C. R. Smith, to join the Presbytery of Ouachita, and Rev. B. L. Beall, to join the Presbytery of Concord. They have licensed John M. P. Otts to preach the Gospel.

The Presbytery further reports, that it has dissolved its connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and appointed Commissioners to aid in the organization of a General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the Confederate States.

The Presbytery of Harmony report: That they have twenty-eight Ministers and thirty-eight Churches; and have under their care four Licentiates and four Candidates. They have installed Rev. E. O. Frierson Pastor of Williamsburg church; ordained and installed W. A. Gregg Pastor of Kingston church; received I. J. Long, Licentiate, from care of Transylvania Presbytery, ordained and installed him Pastor of Concord church; and licensed D. M. McLure, D. McDuffie, and Thos. H. Law to preach the Gospel.

They have organized the church of Florence, in Darlington district.

Rev. George Cooper Gregg departed this life on the 28th May.

The Charleston Presbytery report: That they consist of twenty-six Ministers, and have under their care fifteen Churches, one Licentiate, and two Candidates. They have dissolved the following pastoral relations: that between the Rev. E. Palmer and Stoney Creek church; that between the Rev. S. E. Axson and Beech Island church; that between the Rev. H. R. Dickson and Wilton church; and that between the Rev. J. H. Thornwell, D. D., and the First church, Columbia. By the action in the last case, the Rev. F. P. Mullally, in accordance with the expressed wish of the church, becomes its sole pastor. They have constituted the pastoral relation between the Rev. A. P. Smith and the Glebe Street church, Charleston, and between the Rev. A. F. Dickson and the Orangeburg church. They have dismissed the Rev. J. L. Kirkpatrick, D. D., to join the Presbytery of Concord, N. C.; and the Licentiate Mr. S. C. Alexander, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of

Concord. They have received the Rev. A. A. Porter, from the Presbytery of South Alabama. They have licensed Mr. Charles S. Vedder to preach the Gospel. They further report that they have dissolved their relation to the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and have appointed Commissioners to a General Assembly proposed to be held at Augusta, Georgia, for the purpose of constituting the Presbyterian Church of the Confederate States of America.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

On Bills and Overtures.—Ministers—A. W. Leland, D. D., E. T. Buist, D. D., J. H. Saye. *Ruling Elders*—H. C. Brawley, J. Gillam.

Judicial Committee.—Ministers—T. R. English, D. Humphreys, J. S. Harris. *Ruling Elders*—D. R. Gregg, J. P. Watts, J. G. Lowry.

On the Narrative.—Ministers—J. E. White, J. C. Williams. *Ruling Elders*—E. G. Wright, T H. Russell.

Financial Committee.—W. Harrall, J. J. Moore, J. McFadden.

On Religious Exercises.—Ministers—Dr. Turner, J. McLees, with R. H. Wardlaw, *Ruling Elder.*

On Leave of Absence.—Ministers—W. Banks, A. A. James, W. McWhorter. *Ruling Elders*—David Sadler, A. P. Campbell, W. Dickson.

The following committees on Presbyterial Records were appointed:

Presbytery of South Carolina.—Minister—S. L. Watson. *Ruling Elder*—J. R. Magill.

Presbytery of Bethel.—Minister—T. E. Smith. *Ruling Elder*—James Cowan.

Presbytery of Harmony.—Minister—T. L. McBryde, D. D. *Ruling Elder*—J. W. Black.

Charleston Presbytery.—Minister—J. G. Richards. *Ruling Elder*—A. W. Peden.

The subject of Domestic Missions was then, according to the order of the day, taken up for consideration. Addresses were made by the Chairmen of the Committees on Domestic Missions in the several Presbyteries. Prayer was offered, at the close, by Rev. J. H. Saye, at the request of the Moderator.

On motion of Rev. T. R. English, a committee consisting of

Dr. Adger, Dr. McBryde, and Elder A. M. Kennedy, was appointed to prepare a suitable minute upon this subject.

Rev. J. B. Adger, D. D., Rev. A. A. Morse, Rev. J. E. Davis, and Ruling Elders A. C. Jackson, from Varennes, A. M. Hamilton, from Williamston, G. W. Glenn, from Aveleigh, J. H. Telford, from Broadaway, appeared in Synod, and, having assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, were enrolled.

The Annual Report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary was presented and read, and, on motion of Mr. Hay, was referred to a special committee. Messrs. J. O. Lindsay, J. McDowell, H. R. Dickson, R. A. Griffin, A. M. Kennedy, Wm. Harrall, were appointed this committee.

On motion of Dr. Leland, Synod proceeded to the nomination of Directors of the Theological Seminary, to supply vacancies in the Board of Directors; whereupon, the following persons were nominated:

Ministers.—John Douglas, T. L. McBryde, D. D., J. M. H. Adams, T. Smyth, D. D.

Laymen.—Andrew Crawford, James Gillam, and A. M. Kennedy.

Rev. D. E. Frierson was nominated to fill the unexpired time of Rev. G. C. Gregg, deceased.

The following persons were nominated for election to supply the vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Oglethorpe University:

Ministers.—G. Howe, D. D., T. Smyth, D. D., M. D. Wood, T. E. Smith.

Laymen.—Gen. J. Gillam, Samuel Clarke.

Rev. A. F. Dickson was nominated to supply the place of Dr. Kirkpatrick.

On motion, it was made the special order for ten o'clock tomorrow morning, to elect Directors of the Theological Seminary; and the special order, immediately thereafter, to elect Trustees of Oglethorpe University.

On motion of Mr. Saye, the Narratives of the State of Religion in the several Presbyteries were called for and read, and referred to the Committee on the Narrative.

The report of Mr. H. C. Bronson, Treasurer of Foreign Missions, was presented, and, on motion of Mr. Saye, was referred to a special committee, with instructions to report to-

morrow at the hour appropriated to the consideration of the subject of Foreign Missions.

Dr. Adger and A. A. Morse, Ministers, with R. H. Wardlaw, Ruling Elder, were appointed this committee.

On motion of Dr. Leland, Synod receded from business, to convene again at seven o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY, 7 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met as before. The religious services were conducted by Rev. T. E. Smith.

Rev. G. Howe, D. D., Rev. J. L. Wilson, D. D., Rev. W. M. Reid, Rev. W. A. Gregg, Mr. John Kyle, Ruling Elder from Laurens C. H., appeared in Synod, and, having assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, were enrolled.

A letter from Dr. Raysor, Pastor of the Methodist church in this place, inviting the Synod to supply his pulpit on the ensuing Lord's day was read.

On motion of Dr. Leland, the invitation was accepted, and the Committee on Religious Exercises was directed to furnish supplies.

Dr. Leland presented the Report of the Synodical Committee of Education, which, on motion, was placed in the hands of a committee, consisting of Messrs. S. Donnelly, J. R. Baird, and A. M. Kennedy.

On motion of Mr. Hay, Rev. D. E. Frierson, principal, and Rev. A. F. Dickson, alternate, were appointed to preach the Annual Sermon on Foreign Missions next year.

On motion of Mr. Saye, it was

Resolved, That Dr. Wilson be requested to address the Synod, on the subject of Foreign Missions, after the report is read on to-morrow, and that the rules be altered so that this subject may be considered at eleven o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Dr. Buist, Dr. Turner was discharged, at his request, from the duty of preparing a Historical Sketch of Upper Long Cane church.

Mr. Saye was, on motion of Rev. A. A. James, appointed to prepare a Historical Sketch of Fairforest church.

The time and place for the next meeting of Synod was taken

up, and, on motion of Dr. Buist, Synod resolved to meet at Yorkville, on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in November, at seven o'clock, P. M.

A letter from Rev. S. S. Gaillard was presented and read, and, on motion of Dr. Buist, the following minute was adopted:

Resolved, That this Synod sympathizes deeply with Brother Gaillard in the bodily infirmities which disqualify him for the discharge of his duties to his country as well as to the church, and that it fully concurs with him in the views of duty which his letter sets forth.

Resolved, further, That the Temporary Clerk be directed to communicate, forthwith, to Brother Gaillard, this action of Synod in an appropriate letter.

On motion of Mr. A. M. Kennedy, Synod resolved to appropriate the hour set apart for religious services on to-morrow evening to special prayer in behalf of our country and of our soldiers in the army.

Synod adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at half-past nine o'clock.

Closed with prayer by Dr. Buist.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ o'clock, November 8.

Synod met, according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The Minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The election for Directors of the Theological Seminary, and for Trustees of Oglethorpe University, was held according to order, and resulted as follows:

Directors for three years in Theological Seminary: Ministers—John Douglas, T. L. McBryde, D. D., J. M. H. Adams, T. Smyth, D. D. *Laymen*—A. Crawford, J. Gillam, A. M. Kennedy.

Rev. D. E. Frierson was elected in place of Rev. G. C. Gregg, deceased.

Trustees for three years in Oglethorpe University: Ministers—G. Howe, D. D., T. Smyth, D. D., M. D. Wood. *Laymen*—J. Gillam, S. Clarke.

Rev. A. F. Dickson was elected to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Kirkpatrick.

Rev. T. E. Smith was elected in place of Rev. J. L. Girardeau, declined.

Rev. James Pressly, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature, in the Theological Seminary of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Oglethorpe University, and that of the Treasurer of the same in Georgia, J. Gresham, and that of the Treasurer in South Carolina, W. Harral, were presented, read, and referred, on motion of Dr. Adger, to a special committee.

Dr. Howe, with Messrs. Morse and Wardlaw, were appointed this committee.

Dr. Thornwell presented the Report of the Committee upon the relations of this Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, which was read, and made the order of the day for ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

The subject of Foreign Missions was then taken up, according to order. After devotional exercises, Dr. Adger presented a report, which was read, and, after addresses delivered by Dr. Wilson, Dr. Adger, Dr. Buist, and prayer by Dr. Howe, was adopted, and is as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the subject of Foreign Missions, would submit to the Synod of South Carolina the following statement:

Our Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Bronson, reports as received by him during the year past $2,319 69. Dr. Wilson, who is present, states that he has received in addition to this about $1,800, viz: about $700 from the Treasurer of Harmony, about $500 from the Treasurer of South Carolina Presbytery, and from Bethel and Charleston Presbyteries about $600; so that the whole contributions of this Synod for the year have amounted to about $4,100. Considering the circumstances of the country, this will not be viewed as a very discouraging report. In connection with this it may be stated that, from the churches of the Confederate States at large, Dr. Wilson has received in a little more than four months about $9,000. Three of these months, viz: July, August, and September, have usually proved to the Foreign Missionary Treasury of the Southern Church what are

called *unproductive* months. They have yielded now $6,000. The month of October has yielded $3,000. Should the two next months bring in a like amount, the half year's contributions will swell up to $15,000—which is at the rate of $30,000 *per annum.* The Foreign Missionary contributions of our Church in these States have never, we believe, exceeded $32,000 or $33,000. It certainly ought to prove very encouraging to us all, that in the midst of this war our people in the Confederate States should thus seem to be coming so near to the standard of their givings to this cause in the days of their peace and prosperity.

In view of these facts, the committee would recommend that the Synod adopt the following minute:

With devout thankfulness and humility, this Synod recognizes the grace of God given to her own churches and to those of her sister Synods, in that, amidst all the public troubles of the times, so large a measure of liberality has been manifested by them in reference to this part of their Christian duty. This Synod would exhort all its ministers, and all its elders, and all the churches committed to its watch and care, to continue and to increase their liberality and devotion to this work. It is a work, let us never forget, which our departing Lord enjoined upon His disciples. It is a work which appeals to every human sympathy in our hearts. There is no excuse for any church, or any elder, or any minister, who does not give of his substance freely for the foreign propagation of the Christian faith. To pray "Thy kingdom come," and then not to give according to our ability the means of promoting it both abroad and at home, is hypocrisy. Nor can the duty which unquestionably we owe to our country now be allowed to hinder us from discharging this obligation. Eternity transcends time. The human soul is more precious than all other things upon the earth. The kingdom of Christ has the highest possible claim upon our devotion and zeal. Separated as we now are from the Presbyteries of the North, we must assume and we must discharge our own obligations to the Master in this regard with conscientious fidelity. To the Presbyterian Church of the Confederate States, the Southwestern Indian nations are all accessible, as they are not perhaps to any other people. The Lord, it is evident, is calling us to go forward and

do fully and completely what is required to be done for Him there. May He of His mercy and through His grace forbid that any of the churches of this Synod should hold back their hand from this work to which they are thus invited by Him. As for the other parts of the foreign field, we are ashamed when we remember that but five Southern Presbyterian missionaries are to be found anywhere amongst all the heathen nations. One of these is our own young brother Danforth. He has but lately gone forth from amongst us. May the Lord send forth others of our young brethren. May He graciously accord to our Southern Church the high honor in many of her sons of being permitted and enabled to do her proper share of the glorious work! The Synod of South Carolina would solemnly call on the candidates for the ministry within her bounds, and on all her young ministers who are not hindered Providentially from undertaking the work, to consider, prayerfully and in the light of eternal things, their own personal duty as concerns the distant Gentile nations. She would sound in their ears the departing Master's words: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." And looking abroad upon the great, white harvest, even now ready in so many Pagan lands to be reaped, she would herself pray, and would call on all her churches to pray, the Lord of the harvest that He would Himself send forth laborers into His harvest.

The committee would also recommend that this Synod return thanks to our Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Bronson, and to Mr. J. A. Crawford, the auditor of his account, for their faithful services, and that the said account be published as usual in the Appendix to Synod's Minutes.

The appointment of Rev. D. E. Frierson Preacher of the Annual Sermon, and the Rev. A. F. Dickson Alternate, having been already continued by vote of Synod, the committee of course have no duty to perform in relation to that subject.

On motion of Dr. Adger, an opportunity was afforded to all present to make a contribution for the benefit of Foreign Missions. The collection amounted to $126 76.

Dr. Adger presented the report on Domestic Missions, which was read, and, on motion of Dr. McBryde, was made the second order of the day for this evening.

Rev. W. T. Farrow, of the Methodist Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The report of the Financial Committee was presented, read, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill for publishing and forwarding one thousand copies of the Minutes of Synod of 1860, with other incidental expenses connected with the same, amounting to $243 10, recommend that the same be paid by an assessment on the Presbyteries, as follows:

Presbytery of South Carolina	$65 00
" " Charleston	65 00
" " Harmony	60 00
" " Bethel	53 10
	$243 10

Rev. T. E. Smith presented the following Minute on the death of Rev. G. C. Gregg, which was read, adopted, and is as follows:

The committee appointed to prepare a minute in reference to the death of Rev. George Cooper Gregg, would present the following report:

The Rev. George Cooper Gregg was born in Marion district, South Carolina. He was graduated in the South Carolina College at an early age, with some distinction in his class. He immediately went into the Columbia Theological Seminary, and having spent the three years of prescribed study in this school of the prophets, he was licensed by Harmony Presbytery. Shortly after his licensure he was called to the pastorate of Salem (Black River) church, in 1841. This pastorate continued till he was stricken down with paralysis early in 1860. From this time his labors ceased. With much bodily suffering, and at times acute mental depression, he lingered till the 28th of May, 1861. He had just reached manhood's prime, with the advantages of an experience of nearly twenty years in the ministerial and pastoral office, when God removed him. Mr. Gregg was no common man. Of commanding presence, he attracted the eye and won the esteem of all. With a warm heart, a cheerful temper, and pleasing manners, he had not only

admirers, but friends who loved him. His mind was masculine, active, and clear. Disciplined by habits of some severity of study, its acquired powers were given largely to theological subjects. He became, therefore, an able, systematic theologian. As a preacher, he was animated and pleasing in his delivery, giving life and form to the *word*, as witnessed by his liberal success among those who heard him. As a presbyter, he was wise, diligent, and eminently useful. Intimate with all the forms of procedure in our church courts, he dispatched business with promptness and the highest degree of satisfaction. Prominent, if not the first, among his copresbyters to devise ways and means for the prosperity of the Church, his business talent, under the control of an enlightened will and a warm, charitable heart, was always available in execution as well as in counsel. In all that constitutes a minister of Christ, a man, a theologian, a presbyter, Mr. Gregg was a noble and rare specimen. While, therefore, we deplore his loss to the Church militant, we rejoice in the hope, drawn from the evidence of a useful and honored life, that he is now a member of the church of the First-born written in heaven.

We would bow with submission to the sovereign will of God in calling away our brother and fellow laborer in Christ, and we would hereby be admonished to address ourselves with fresh zeal and diligence to our work.

Dr. Howe reported, as Historiographer of the Church, that he had made some progress in his work, which was one that required time, labor, and caution, and that, notwithstanding the many calls upon him, he hoped to be able to accomplish something during the ensuing year. He accompanied these statements with the request that if any of the members of the Synod, or any other persons, are in possession of any facts connected with the history of our churches at the period of the Revolution, which have not been published, he would be glad to have them communicated to him.

This report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. McWhorter, Synod took a recess until seven o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, 7 o'clock, P. M., November 8.

According to previous order, the first part of the evening was spent in devotional exercises, having special reference to the afflicted state of our country.

The rules were suspended, on motion, that the Narrative might be presented.

On motion of Mr. Morse it was recommitted, with instructions to the committee to abbreviate and modify it.

On motion of Dr. Turner, the order of the day was then taken up, and the report presented by Dr. Adger being called for was again read, and after discussion was adopted, and is as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the subject of Domestic Missions, as presented to the Synod in the reports of Bethel, South Carolina, and Harmony Presbyteries, the chairman of the Charleston Presbytery's committee being absent, would recommend for the Synod's adoption the following minute:

The Synod of South Carolina has heard with profound interest these reports. They rejoice that our Presbyteries are now all practically upon one platform. It has been the opinion of many that Domestic Missions within the bounds of our established Presbyteries may most properly be considered as belonging to those Presbyteries respectively, and that Presbyterial supervision of this work insures the most thorough and complete cultivation of each part of the great home field of the Church, while the frontier and the foreign propagation of the faith belongs most properly to some kind of central agency of the Church at large, and can best be accomplished in this way through the highest court of the Church. Without now affirming this opinion to be correct, the Synod would express its satisfaction that, practically, we are all as one upon the subject, and would most earnestly call upon the several Presbyteries to be very vigilant and very diligent in this most arduous and important undertaking.

In the judgment of this Synod, it is as much the duty of each Presbytery to cultivate as thoroughly as possible every portion of its own field, as it is the duty of every church Session to exert itself to the utmost in its own parish bounds. That is not Presbyterian Church government which simply

appoints a minister and elders over each organized church, and then leaves the intermediate spaces between these several churches without any labor or care. But our system contemplates a vigorous missionary effort to fill the whole country with the light of Divine Truth, and to supply every destitute neighborhood with the Christian doctrine, and discipline, and sacraments. Of course, the means and the methods which Presbyteries can command and employ must vary with their varying circumstances. Some can employ an evangelist to give his whole time to the work, while others must depend chiefly on some systematic arrangement of occasional services from its different pastors, while others again can make use of both these means and methods. In every case, however, it ought to be the Presbytery's effort, through its committee and evangelist, to develop the strength and resources of every little feeble church, as well as to multiply those organizations wisely and discreetly wherever it may seem best, that they may form so many lights shining in every dark corner, until the whole land be illuminated with their brightness.

Of course, this is a great undertaking for any Presbytery. The Synod is not surprised at all to have heard in these reports of difficulties encountered. Some of them can only be overcome by constant and diligent effort, and the committees in South Carolina and in Bethel Presbyteries must take fresh courage, and grapple anew with the obstacles that stand in their way. As for Harmony Presbytery, its present difficulties are only, we trust, temporary. The stagnation of our commerce, which is the only cause of their pecuniary necessities, cannot last always. In some way, we are assured, the Master will relieve that committee of its present embarrassments. That Presbytery has been honored of God to do a great work. It is now doing a great work. Its latest report tells us of new missionary stations. We never heard before of Centre Point station, Darlington district; nor of Wood's Mill station, Sumter district; nor of Little River station, Horry district; nor of Liberty station, Marion district. We remember Carolina, and Red Bluff, and Pine Hill, and Turkey Creek, and Elon, and White Oak, and Florence, and Kingston, and perhaps other points, that were its stations years ago, but have now all become organized churches, and have grown up into a more or

less complete condition of the power to sustain themselves. They have passed upward and onward from the condition of missionary stations into the condition of more or less perfectly established churches. Let Harmony Presbytery, old and venerable in this cause, renew her youth, take fresh courage, and go on in the name of the Lord to fill the thirteen districts of our state, which constitute her Presbyterial limits, with the heavenly doctrine and the divine order committed by Jesus Christ to her; and long after present trials, and difficulties, and discouragements, shall have been forgotten time out of mind, the record of what, through Grace, she has been permitted and enabled to do all through the swamps of the Pee Dee, and the sparse settlements of our eastern districts, will be read and read again, to the honor of her and our Lord and Master, by thousands of His redeemed ones through thousands of ages to come.

The report of the committee to which was referred the Report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary, was presented, read, and adopted, and is as follows:

The special committee to which was referred the Report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, present the following, viz:

That we feel truly grateful to the Head of the Church for the favor he is still extending to this "School of the Prophets." From an humble beginning this Institution has stretched out her boughs unto the sea, and is now the chief agency through which God is supplying our churches with pastors to feed his flock. With the corps of instructors now completed, with our abiding confidence in the fidelity and learning of the incumbent professors, with the diligence and zeal which have uniformly characterized our students, and the ample facilities afforded for theological training, we hope for the increased usefulness of the Seminary. No degree of prosperity can ever place the Institution beyond the need of the prayers of the Lord's people. The command is still binding upon us. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into His harvest.

The Seminary continues to need the benefactions of the Church. That need is now more pressing than at any former period. A heavy debt hangs over it, eating out its substance,

every day increasing, and with no prospect for its liquidation. In the present state of the country, it is not possible for your committee to suggest any arrangement by which this debt could be paid. At the close of the present year, the debt for the "Smyth Library" shall have reached nearly the sum of $19,500—the five years credit will then have expired, and the whole debt be due. The increase from invested funds failed to meet the expenses of the Seminary, for the past year, by over $1,700. And this deficit for the current year will probably be greatly increased, owing to the monetary pressure which we are all now feeling. This is the present and prospective indebtedness of our Seminary, which ought to be held up to the notice of the Church, and the gifts of God's people earnestly invoked in its behalf.

We submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That Synod approve the Report of the Board, and recommend its publication in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Board be recommended to employ all the unappropriated money at its disposal for the payment of the debts of the Seminary; and that all expenses which are not absolutely necessary be avoided till these debts are extinguished.

On motion of Dr. Buist, the report of the Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Bethel, recommending that they be approved, as far as page 239, was presented, read, and adopted.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Harmony reported that the book was not at hand, and begged to be discharged.

On motion of Rev. A. A. Morse, the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

On motion of Rev. W. McWhorter, Synod adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at half-past nine o'clock.

Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9th November, 9½ o'clock.

Synod met according to adjournment.

The Minutes of the preceding Session were read and approved.

The first half hour was spent in devotional exercises.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of South Carolina reported, recommending that they be approved to page 380, with the exception that, at the close, there is no evidence that the Minutes were read and approved by the Presbytery.

On motion of Mr. Hay, this report was adopted.

The Committee on the Records of Charleston Presbytery reported, that the book containing them had not been placed in their hands. The report was, on motion of Dr. Buist, accepted, and the committee discharged.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported the following arrangements, which, on motion of Mr. McWhorter, were approved:

Rev. J. S. Harris to preach in this church this evening, at seven o'clock.

The Moderator to preach to-morrow in this church, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

The Rev. W. M. Reid to introduce the communion services, and the Rev. S. H. Hay to close them.

Dr. Howe to preach to-morrow in this church, at seven o'clock, P. M.

Rev. S. L. Watson to preach at Upper Long Cane to-morrow, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

Rev. W. Banks to preach in the Methodist church to-morrow, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

Rev. T. R. English to preach in the Methodist church to-morrow, at half-past three o'clock, P. M.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D. D., to address the children of the Sabbath-schools, in this church, to-morrow, at nine o'clock, A. M.

The committee to which was referred the report of the Treasurer of Education, presented their report, which was read, and, on motion of Dr. McBryde, was adopted, and is as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer of Education, would report—

1. It is matter of great thankfulness that, amidst the embarrassment of the times, the Committee of Education have been furnished with the requisite means of supporting their beneficiaries during the past year.

2. Synod would call the attention of the churches to the fact that the funds received by the Treasurer are, chiefly, either individual contributions, or the proceeds of investment for this purpose, and that but few church collections are reported; and further, that though a balance appears on hand of $709 87, yet this balance is less, by more than one-half, than that with which the year was begun.

3. It must be borne in mind that the expense of living is greatly increased by the scarcity of many necessaries of life, and unless every one will do a little for this cause, and do it promptly, our beneficiaries will be reduced to the necessity of abandoning their studies.

4. Your committee recommend that the same Educational Committee be reappointed, and that Mr. Andrew Crawford be continued as Treasurer.

On motion of Dr. Leland, the Committee on Education was reappointed, with the addition of Messrs. John A. Crawford and C. R. Bryce, and the Rev. F. P. Mullally and J. Cohen.

The committee appointed to prepare a Minute respecting the death of the Rev. A. W. Ross, presented their report, which was read, and, on motion of Dr. Howe, adopted, and is as follows:

The committee appointed to report a Minute in reference to the death of the Rev. A. W. Ross would submit the following:

Our deceased brother was a native of North Carolina, and was licensed by Concord Presbytery of that state. He came to this state about the year 1817, and supplied the church at Winnsborough for a short time, and then removed to Pendleton in 1822, and connected himself with the Presbytery of South Carolina, in which connection he remained, supplying, at different periods, the churches of Hopewell (Pendleton), Carmel, and Mt. Zion, until about a year previous to his death, which occurred on the 2d day of October last. He died in Marion district, of this state, whither he had gone, less than a year ago, to spend his old age with his children who were about settling in that district.

Brother Ross was trained by pious parents, and educated in the doctrines of the Presbyterian Church as taught in the Larger and Shorter Catechisms of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, which were the standards and text-books in impart-

ing a knowledge of the Word of God to the children of the Church. Accordingly, when he was licensed to preach the Gospel, he was not only thoroughly acquainted with its distinctive doctrines as held by the Church of his fathers, but adopted the confession of faith with his whole heart, and ever afterward remained a firm advocate of its principles and doctrines in the pulpit and in our ecclesiastical bodies. He possessed a clear head and a sound judgment, and his opinions were always received with respect by his co-Presbyters. Like most ministers of his day, he received small salaries from the churches which he supplied, and consequently had to spend a large portion of his time in secular pursuits in order to provide for his own household the necessaries of life; consequently he was much hindered in the work of the ministry, both in respect to preaching and pastoral visitation. But his labors are now at an end, and he hath gone to receive his reward. His latter end was peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. The fathers are fast passing away. May the Lord of the harvest send forth more laborers into His vineyard to supply the places of those who are thus called to their rest above; and may those who are to take the places of their fathers be men full of faith and of the Holy Ghost.

The committee to which was referred the report of the Board of Trustees of Oglethorpe University, presented a report, which was read, and, on motion of Dr. Leland, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Oglethorpe University find placed in their hands the following papers: No. 1. The Report of the Board of Trustees to the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama; No. 2. The Account of the Treasurer, John J. Gresham; No. 3. The report of William Harral and James Dillingham (Committee of Investment), to the Synod of South Carolina; No. 4. The South Carolina Professorship in account with Wm. Harral, Chairman of the Committee of Investment; No. 5. The Tutor's Fund, in account with the same.

The committee recommend that all these papers be printed in the above order, in the Appendix to our Minutes.

We notice with regret the deficit in the income of our Professorship for the year, of $650, through the failure of the usual receipt of interest on the City of Memphis and the

Memphis and Charleston Railroad Bonds, but hope that our Committee of Investment will yet be able to pay the full salary of our Professor for the following year, as there still remains in hand a small balance of accumulated income, amounting to $228 21.

We find that the amount apportioned to the several churches of South Carolina, Harmony, and Charleston Presbyteries, for the tutor's salary last year, was $1,246, and that of this amount $847 12 have been collected and paid over to the Committee of Investment, and that there remains uncollected the amount of $398 88; that forty-six churches have responded to the call made upon them, and twenty-one have not responded as yet. The Synod has reason to be gratified at the cheerfulness with which these apportionments have been met by so many churches, and to hope that those who have not yet raised the sums apportioned will make no delay in doing so.

The committee would recommend that the thanks of the Synod be given to Mr. W. E. James, Gen. J. Gillam, and Mr. J. Dillingham, for their prompt and efficient agency in collecting the amounts, and that they be requested to continue their labors till the whole be accomplished.

There remains uncollected in the Presbytery of Charleston: From Stoney Creek church, $20. Glebe Street and the Second church have not paid their full quota. In the Presbytery of Harmony: Bishopville, $15; Brewington, $15; Cheraw, $25; Hopewell, $25; Little Pee Dee, $8; Lynchburg, $8; Williamsburg, $25. In the Presbytery of South Carolina: Bethany church, $5; Duncan's Creek, $5; Gilder's Creek, $5; Hopewell, $10; Lodimont, $10; Roberts, $10; Liberty Spring, $10; Anderson C. H., $25; Varrennes, $5; Williamston, $5; Spartanburg C. H., $10; Clinton, $8.

Notwithstanding our great success and the promptness of other churches, the amounts apportioned to these churches are still necessary to meet the obligations we have incurred.

The committee would further apprize the Synod that, until our endowment be sufficiently increased, one-half the sums apportioned last year should be raised by the several churches annually, to pay the salary of the tutor.

The committee would recommend to Synod the appointment of a committee of two, to ascertain from the Committee of In-

vestment and other available sources the outstanding notes due the Professorship, as to their amount, and the interest due on them, to make out a list of the same, and to take such measures, in connection with the Presbyteries, as may seem wise for their collection, or for the payment at least of the interest due.

Dr. Adger and Dr. Howe were appointed as this committee.

The Rev. J. I. Bonner, of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The report of the committee on the relation of this Synod to the General Assembly was, on motion of Mr. McLees, read again, preparatory to the consideration of it, at this hour, according to order. After full discussion and amendment, this report was, on the motion of Dr. Leland, unanimously adopted, and is as follows:

The committee, to whom was referred the subject of the relations of this Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, beg leave to report, that these relations have, in fact, been already dissolved by the Presbyteries which compose this body. They have solemnly and formally renounced its jurisdiction. It has become a foreign church to them, and they are foreign courts to it. They have gone further, and have taken steps to constitute a new General Assembly, with the view of giving to the Presbyterian Church in the Confederate States as complete an organization as it had in the United States of America. Their design is that the churches of the two countries shall be as independent of each other as their governments, and that each, without let or hinderance from the other, shall undertake to execute all the functions which the Saviour has committed to His body. All that remains for this Synod to do is to ratify, as a whole, what has already been done by its constituent parts.

There are two reasons which justify the Presbyteries of the Confederate States in forming a new and an independent Assembly. The first is, that the old Assembly has transcended its jurisdiction by authoritatively settling a political question. It has undertaken, as a court of Jesus Christ, acting in His name and under His commission, to determine the lawful gov-

ernment of these Confederate States. It has not only directed us to render unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's, but it has assumed the right to adjudicate betwixt the claims of rival Cæsars, and to say which is entitled to allegiance. This Synod is clear that the provinces of Church and State are entirely distinct, and that the Church as much transcends its sphere in pronouncing upon questions political, as the State transcends its sphere in dealing with matters ecclesiastical. The Church, it is true, is to declare and enforce revealed Truth, and, among other duties, she is to enjoin obedience to the powers that be. But when the question arises, who and what those powers are, and how far obedience must be carried, the Church must remit the answer to the civil tribunals of the land, and to the dictates of the individual conscience. She has no commission from her Lord to declare what form of government any people shall adopt, how long they shall continue to maintain it, or under what circumstances they shall change it. Her members, as citizens, may and should take an active part in all discussions of the kind, but her courts, as authoritative tribunals of Christ, must be as silent as their Master. General principles she may and must announce, the eternal principles of the moral law; but their concrete application to political constitutions and political changes does not fall within the limits of her power.

Still, though the old Assembly has transcended its jurisdiction, we do not hold that this, in itself considered, is an adequate ground for separation. Under other circumstances the act might be quietly annulled, or deliberately disobeyed, without disturbing our organic relations to the body. But the present case is one of peculiar aggravation. The act is not only unconstitutional, but it puts the parties in a relation to each other which renders it hopelessly impossible that they can co-operate as members of the same communion, with any prospect of success. It has transferred to the Church all the bitterness of the political feud. An Assembly composed of members, one half of whom believe that the other half ought to be hung, denouncing each other, on the one hand, as rebels and traitors, and, on the other, as tyrants and oppressors, would be anything but an edifying spectacle. Nothing but strife and confusion could be expected to result from so unnatu-

ral an union. To talk, under such circumstances, of promoting the glory of God, and of building up the kingdom of the Redeemer, would be simply absurd. In order, therefore, to save the Church from scandal, to promote its harmony and peace, and to secure cordial co-operation in carrying out its evangelical schemes, it seems to this Synod to be absolutely necessary that the North and the South should separate. As distinct organizations, their rivalry in holy zeal may give a new impetus to the labors of both; as *one body*, their national animosities would drive the Spirit from their halls.

2. But, apart from this consideration, we hold that it is wise and proper that church organizations should be determined by national lines. There is a wide difference betwixt schism and separation. Schism always implies a breach of charity; it breaks the bond, not of external, but of internal union, and is generally grounded in error of doctrine, irregularity of government, or rebellion against lawful discipline. Churches, however, may be distinct and separate, and yet perfectly at one in every principle of faith and order. The advantages are so obvious in having a complete and independent Church in every Christian nation, that the plan has been universally adopted in the States of Christendom. On this plan the Church can act with more concert and with more freedom. It is less likely to excite the jealousy and suspicion of the State; it can be more homogeneous, more compact, and consequently more energetic. It is a providential arrangement by which the Church catholic realizes the benefits of a division of labor. In our own case, there is a special reason why we should have the supreme control of our ecclesiastical matters in our own hands. We have a field which none can enter, much less cultivate, but ourselves. On these grounds, we think that it would have been our duty, independently of any divisive measures of the old Assembly, to set up for ourselves, and this Synod would have been prepared, in perfect charity with the brethren of the North, to have taken steps, upon the permanent establishment of the Confederate government, to institute a separate and independent Assembly in the Confederate States. For these reasons, the Synod cordially approves of the course of its Presbyteries in declaring themselves independent of the old Assembly. The Synod further approves of the measures they have adopted for

the organization of a new Assembly, on the fourth day of December next, at Augusta.

As that will be a most important meeting, destined to shape very largely the future history of the Church in these Confederate States, the Synod thinks it due to the interests involved to declare some of the principles which should enter into the new organization.

1. In the first place, some safe provision should be made for changes in the Constitution of the Church. The extremes of party innovation, and of no innovation at all, should be equally guarded against. A Protestant Church, with an unchangeable creed, is an anomaly. Its very name is a confession of its liability to err, and that no provision should be made for correcting its errors seems not a little extravagant. In the old Assembly, it was always a disputed point whether we could modify, in the slightest degree, our doctrinal standards, and the plan of adding new constitutional rules was awkward and inefficient. We say this, not that we desire to make any changes in our creed. The Westminster Confession and Catechisms we cordially receive as the mind of the Spirit. We believe them to be faithful expositions of the Word of God. The great system which they teach never can be altered by those who love the Truth; but there are incidental statements, not affecting the plan of salvation and the doctrines of grace, about which our children may not be as well satisfied as ourselves. Our Form of Government has some obscurities which ought to be removed, and might possibly be improved by a few additions. Our Book of Discipline and our Directory for Worship evidently need revision; at least they ought not to be made like the laws of the Medes and Persians. What we insist on is, that our standards should not be rendered absolutely unalterable, and that the method of alteration should be simple and intelligible. Many may think that the present Constitution provides for the case, others think differently. We would have the matter put beyond dispute. In readopting the Constitution, as a General Assembly, it might be well to pass an act, to be submitted to the Presbyteries, and confirmed or rejected by them, that hereafter no changes should be made in the Confession of Faith and Catechisms without being proposed by three-fourths of one Assembly, and ratified by three-fourths

of two succeeding Assemblies; and that no changes should be made in our Form of Government and other books without being proposed by three-fourths of one Assembly, and ratified by three-fourths of the next. Something of this kind would be equally a check upon rash innovation and absolute immutability.

2. In the next place, this Synod respectfully suggests that, in constituting its permanent schemes for prosecuting the proper work of the Church, the new Assembly should aim at the two ends of simplicity of structure and directness of responsibility. Whether the new organizations are to be called boards or committees (we care nothing about a name), let them be composed only of those who are expected to do the work, in such a number as will be most likely to secure efficiency, and let them be immediately appointed by the Assembly and immediately responsible to it. We would have no complimentary distinctions, and no breakwater betwixt the Assembly and its own servants. Let the Assembly itself occupy the place of the old Boards, and the Executive Committees be its creatures.

3. In the third place, in adjusting the scheme of Domestic Missions, this Synod is persuaded that the functions of the new committee should be restricted to the dispensing of aid to feeble Presbyteries, and to the planting and training of churches in frontier and destitute settlements. Within its own limits, each Presbytery is bound to cultivate the field. When a Presbytery is weak it has a right to claim assistance from its richer brethren, and the Committee of Missions should be the organ of correspondence between them. All should combine their energies to extend the borders of the Church, and the committee should be the agent to execute their pious purpose. Nothing should be done to lessen in the Presbyteries their sense of presbyterial responsibility. They should be made to feel that it is their duty to go up and occupy their own territory.

4. In the fourth place, if the Assembly should establish any Committee of Education, of the expediency of which we are not satisfied, we are clear that its office should be exclusively confined to the aiding of indigent candidates for the Gospel ministry. It should have no power to determine their places of education, nor the extent and period of their studies.

Whatever views the Southern Church may entertain as to the relations of the Church to the general subject of education, and whatever arrangements may be made for fulfilling its wishes in this respect, we sincerely hope that the committee in question may not be charged with this wide department of benevolence.

As the appointment of a Committee or Board of Publication is not likely, in the present circumstances of the country, to be attempted, it is not necessary to say anything in relation to the expediency of the measure. Whatever schemes the Assembly may adopt, we hope that they will be widely scattered, and that no two of them will be established in the same city or in the same state.

These hints, and they are only hints, the Synod feels that it becomes it to make. We are deeply interested in the prosperity and success of the Confederate Church.

If our suggestions are worthy of consideration, we are sure that they will receive it; if not, we shall not complain of their rejection by our brethren. We earnestly pray that God's Spirit may preside at the new organization, that He may order everything according to His own holy will, and that He may dwell forever in the new Church, which is hereafter to take its place among the Churches of our common Lord in the other nations of the earth.

The Synod, it may be added, cordially approves of the arrangements proposed by the Atlanta Convention for facilitating the organization of the Assembly, and hereby expresses the hope that Doctors Gray and Waddel will consent to act as a Committee of Commissions, and that Dr. Palmer will preach the opening sermon.

It may be well also to say that, in our judgment, the temporary scheme adopted by the brethren at Columbia, for keeping alive the interest of the Southern Church in Foreign Missions, and for meeting a pressing emergency in our missionary operation was wise and timely, and we hail it as an auspicious providence that Dr. Wilson was sent to his native soil at so critical a juncture.

This Synod, indeed, cannot but regard it as a significant circumstance that the Southern Church, before she was yet ready to become independent, or had taken any steps to complete

her organization, had a large number of missionary stations thrown upon her care, and a channel prepared through which her liberality could be conveyed to them. It was a providential intimation that her future career should be distinguished by pre-eminent zeal, fidelity, and energy in this department of labor. The cloudy pillar has gone before her. At her very birth she has been baptized with the spirit of missions.

Finally, in approving of the measures which have dissolved the connection of this Synod with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and made it a party to a new organization, we are not to be understood as renouncing the old Constitution. On the contrary, we still cordially adopt it, and firmly adhere to it as the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the Confederate States of America.

On motion of Dr. Leland, Rev. W. T. Farrow, received as a member of the Charleston Presbytery, at its sessions in this place, was enrolled as a member of this Synod.

Dr. Thornwell offered the following resolution, which, after discussion, was, on motion of Mr. Lindsay, referred to the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, with instructions to report thereupon to the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama, at their next sessions:

Resolved, That this Synod, the Synod of Georgia, and that of Alabama concurring, transfer to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the Confederate States of America the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, upon the two following conditions:

1. That the corporate name of the Seminary be retained.

2. That the seat of the Institution shall never be removed from Columbia, S. C.

The Committee on the Narrative, to which was recommitted the paper presented during yesterday's sessions, submitted the following, which, after discussion and amendment, was adopted. See Appendix.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented their report, which was read, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Leave of Absence would report that they have excused the following persons for non-attendance at the last meeting of Synod, to wit: Rev. W. H. Davis, Rev. J. E.

White, Rev. Wm. McWhorter, Rev. J. G. Richards, Rev. E. T. Buist, Rev. J. McLees; and the following churches for not being represented at the last meeting, viz: Carmel church, Ninety-Six, Broadaway.

The following persons have also sent satisfactory excuses for non-attendance at the present meeting: Rev. J. Douglas, Rev. J. Cohen, Rev. J. M. Anderson, Rev. J. L. Kennedy, Rev. W. B. Corbett, Rev. R. H. Reid, with the following churches: Allison's Creek, Hopewell (Pendleton).

And the following members have received permission to leave after the session of Friday evening, to wit: R. A. Griffin, Rev. I. J. Long, A. M. Hamilton, J. H. Telford, Rev. E. F. Hyde, A. W. Peden, Dr. Glenn, A. C. Jackson, Rev. J. Dewitt Burkhead, E. F. Furguson, J. S. McFadden, J. B. Adger, D. D., Rev. J. E. White, H. C. Brawley, and Rev. S. Donnelly.

On motion of Mr. Harris, it was

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Synod be returned to the citizens of Abbeville for their hospitality to its members during the present sessions; and that Dr. Turner be requested to communicate this resolution in such manner as may seem to him most suitable.

On motion of Mr. Saye, the Minutes were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. Buist, Synod adjourned, to meet in the Presbyterian church, Yorkville, on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in November next, at seven o'clock, P. M.

J. M. H. ADAMS, *Moderator.*

D. McNeill Turner, *Temporary Clerk.*
John L. Girardeau, *Stated Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

NARRATIVE

Of the State of Religion within the bounds of the Synod of South Carolina.

The Synod of South Carolina presents to the churches under its care the following Narrative of the state of religion within its bounds:

Beloved Brethren: Grace, mercy, and peace be multiplied to you through our Lord Jesus Christ. The extraordinary circumstances under which we are convened are without a parallel in the history of this Synod. The sad truth is now before us that a great rupture has taken place, and our once noble Israel has been rudely dismembered. It is but slight consolation to us to know that such catastrophes have not been uncommon in the history of the Church. And the gratuitousness of the cause which has led to the present division compels us to cry out with Jeremiah: "My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart." That those with whom we were so long associated, and toward whom such superior courtesy and fraternal spirit had been observed, should have been so far betrayed by passion, and perhaps abandoned by Providence, as to enact such measures as were the distinguishing features of the last Assembly — in which the angry feelings of partisanship rather than the grave, deliberate, and thoughtful spirit of fraternal love, evidently presided — "is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation." We were wounded in the house of our friend. And the unprovoked character of the act, intensified by other motives which we forbear even to name, left but a single alternative to those who would preserve intact the spiritual heritage of the Lord of the Covenant. But we "rejoice not when our enemy falleth" through the deceitful snares which entangle them. For them we have no other feel-

ing than that of boundless pity, unalloyed by the faintest appearance of an impure emotion. And we would imitate the Master and pray: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

All of our Presbyteries have severed their connection with the General Assembly of the United States. And whatever variety of opinions may have existed respecting the method of withdrawing, all seeming differences are now composed, and perfect unanimity prevails throughout our borders. What end God has in view in permitting the dismemberment of our Israel — whether in chastisement for our sins, or to open new fields of labor, and secure greater efficiency in evangelizing the world, is an inquiry which in the present development of His purposes it is impossible for any to answer. This much, however, in sincerity and humility, we add: with us principle and duty have been the same; and with the fathers of the secession Church of 1732, we appeal for the vindication of our integrity and purity to the "first free and reforming Assembly" of the Church from which we have recently withdrawn — we appeal to the bar of posterity and to the more solemn tribunal of our final Judge.

With few exceptions, we find all our churches have enjoyed their usual spiritual privileges; and peace, harmony, and fraternal love everywhere prevail. Our Presbyteries, however, lament the absence of those delightful visitations of the reviving spirit which in past years have cheered our souls and made the wastes of Zion to resound with songs of gladness. This in a great measure is to be attributed to the agitated state of the public mind, engrossed with the affairs of state and war.

In the South Carolina Presbytery we find that the first half of the ecclesiastical year was one of pervading interest. Such, however, has not been the case during its latter part. There have been few, if any, additions to their churches. One-half of their male members are now in the army, and but for the female portion of the church their Sabbath schools would be abandoned.

From the Bethel Presbytery we have a much more cheering report. Many of their churches have had pleasant accessions, which makes its history well nigh uniform with that of former

years. The public attendance on the means of grace has been greatly reduced by the present war; and a number of their churches are suffering greatly for want of the services of the sanctuary. Like her sister Presbytery of Harmony, she has been called upon to mourn the death of several of her most valuable church officers and members.

In the Harmony Presbytery, while to some of their churches there have been encouraging additions, still there is no little over which we are called to mourn. Many of their churches have now failed to send up their expected narratives, which has left the Presbytery in a doubtful conclusion whether the kingdom of the Redeemer has materially advanced. We lament the undervaluation on their part of this Presbyterial duty, and would invoke the careful consideration of the churches, that hereafter they may not in this respect be delinquent.

The special feature of interest we discover in the Charleston Presbytery is the attention bestowed on our colored people. And the encouraging success with which the labors of the spiritual husbandman have been rewarded is a subject for devout thankfulness to God. In its colored membership, the church in Columbia has more than quadrupled during the past year. Another fact which promises superior results is the zeal that distinguishes their Sabbath-school operations, which continues unabated, notwithstanding the dangers with which we are embarrassed. They report, however, few accessions to their white membership.

We rejoice in the increasing interest which all of our Presbyteries are exhibiting in the cause of Domestic Missions. New churches are springing up in hitherto destitute regions, and in many places the wilderness has been made to rejoice. We are saddened, however, that this work is impeded for want of funds, induced by the severity of the times in which Providence has cast our lot. We would pray our churches to forsake not this great cause.

Immediately associated with this work is the increasing interest manifested in behalf of our colored population. What has been said of the Charleston Presbytery is equally true of all our other Presbyteries. From the political dangers which threaten us, of which, to say no more, they are at least the occasional cause, all have extracted incentives to still greater

efforts in their behalf. Of one blood with us, the companions of our children, the support of our riper years, the affectionate ministers at our dying couch, pilgrims with us to the same awful eternity, with whom sooner or later we must be confronted at the tremendous bar of God, *this* is the field of labor upon which our Presbyteries have entered with such zeal.

We have, too, a special subject for grateful acknowledgments in the great willingness and liberality with which our churches have responded to the call of Foreign Missions. It is true that our northern, southern, and eastern borders are closed against us, yet we have a western outlet, which invites our warmest zeal and largest generosity. *One hundred thousand* of the aborigines of this continent are knocking at our very doors for the bread of life.

We are not disappointed, either, in the expectation that a spirit of earnest prayer pervades our bounds—the unmistakable evidence that God has not forsaken our Zion in this day of bitter calamity, as well as providing proof that His people have not forgotten their Rock of defence and their sure Refuge in time of trouble.

Our benevolent contributions, as was to be expected, are certainly deficient. We do not, however, complain. We can hope for better times.

From our educational institutions we have favorable reports. The Oglethorpe University and Davidson College have resumed their exercises under promising prospects. And the female institutions at Laurens and Yorkville have much to encourage them.

We should be truly grateful also to the Head of the Church for His abounding goodness toward our Theological Seminary. Its professors are all at their respective posts of duty, and the number of its students far exceeds our most sanguine expectations. The institution is now most thoroughly equipped for the work of educating a ministry for the Church. And we can sincerely pray that God would make it a great central sun, from which shall radiate a light and glory which shall gladden the utmost parts not only of our land, but of the globe.

We must not forget the delightful influence exerted through our bounds by our religious periodicals—*The Southern Presbyte-*

rian and *The Southern Presbyterian Review*. We rejoice in their efficiency. We would have their patronage greatly increased.

Notwithstanding Providence has greatly blessed us with abundant harvests, yet from all of our Presbyteries we hear of the sad ruin which our present calamities have wrought throughout our beloved Zion. The number which appears in our sanctuaries is few—our homes have been dismantled, and already have many been called to lay their loved ones in the grave. May God speedily avert from us this terrible scourge, and say to the destroying angel: "Stay thy hand, it is enough."

We have to convey to you, also, the sad intelligence of our bereavements since we last met. Around the premature grave of George Cooper Gregg Providence this day collects our Synod to weep their tears of fraternal sorrow. We exclaim in the presence of death: "I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan." "How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle." To a naturally gifted mind, enriched by generous culture, he added a heart of great nobility, which declined no service which promised glory to his exalted Saviour. In the midst of his usefulness was he stricken down, and is now gathered to his fathers.

To this sad stroke we have to add the name of one of the fathers of this Synod—the venerated A. W. Ross. Like a shock of corn in its season, after he had served his generation, he, too, has been gathered to the Assembly of the Church of the first-born and the spirits of the just made perfect. Brethren, we are admonished by these visitations. Lights and shades, bridals and burials, follow in rapid succession, as wave pursues wave on the ever-restless surface of the ocean. From summits of joy how soon are we precipitated to depths of sorrow. The morning without clouds is ofttimes the herald of the evening tempest. Judgment followeth on the heels of mercy, and the coffin presently comes after the cradle. Brethren, "Be ye also ready."

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MINUTES

Of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, held in Columbia, S. C., May 6–9, 1861.

Columbia, S. C., May 6, 1861.

Presbyterian church, 8 o'clock, p. m.

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia met, according to adjournment, in the Presbyterian church, when the Annual Sermon before the Board was preached by Rev. M. D. Wood.

The President and Vice-President being both absent, on motion of Rev. D. McQueen, Rev. T. L. McBryde, D. D., was called to the chair, who opened the Board with prayer.

Upon calling the roll, the following members were found present, viz: T. R. English, D. McQueen, S. H. Hay, T. L. McBryde, D. D., Andrew Crawford, Burwell Boykin, J. R. Wilson, D. D.

The Board then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock, in the chapel of the Theological Seminary.

Closed with prayer by Dr. Adger.

TUESDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock, May 7, 1861.

The Board met, according to adjournment, in the chapel of the Theological Seminary.

Rev. John Douglas, Vice-President, having appeared, took the chair, and opened the meeting with prayer.

The Minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

The following additional members appeared, and were enrolled, viz: Rev. E. P. Palmer and Rev. R. K. Porter.

Rev. T. L. McBryde, D. D., was, on motion of Mr. Hay, appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

A letter was received from Mr. Wm. Shear, a member of the Board, assigning reasons for absence from the meeting, and making some suggestions respecting the Smyth Library. His reasons for absence were sustained, and that part of the letter relating to the Smyth Library was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *On Audits.*—B. Boykin, Rev. S. H. Hay, and Rev. E. P. Palmer.

2. *On Ways and Means.*—Rev. R. K. Porter, Rev. T. R. English, and Andrew Crawford.

3. *On the Library, Laws, and Regulations.*—Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., Rev. D. McQueen, and Rev. E. P. Palmer.

4. *On Buildings.*—Rev. T. L. McBryde, D. D., Rev. R. K. Porter, and B. Boykin.

The report of the Faculty was received, and referred to the Committee on the Library, Laws, and Regulations. Also, the report of the Librarian was received, and referred to the same committee.

The report of the Standing Building Committee was received, and referred to the Committee on Buildings. And the report of the Executive Committee was received, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Treasurer's Report was received, and referred to the Committee on Audits.

The Board then receded from its ordinary business to attend the examination of the students of the Seminary, and appointed Rev. E. P. Palmer, Rev. S. H. Hay, and B. Boykin, a special

committee, with a view to prepare a report expressive of the judgment of the Board thereon, to be presented at the close of the examinations.

The Board attended the examinations until half-past one o'clock, and then took recess till half-past four.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Business resumed. The Committee on Audits reported that they have examined the Treasurer's Report and the Reports of the Investing Committees, and find them correct and properly vouched. Their report was adopted.

Hon. J. N. Whitner appeared and was enrolled, and, on motion of Mr. Porter, was added to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A letter was received from Hon. T. C. Perrin, President of the Board, assigning reasons for absence from its present meeting, which were sustained. He also enclosed a letter from Mr. S. W. Williams, of Arkansas, Trustee of a legacy left the Seminary by his brother Lawson Williams; which letter was, on motion of Mr. Porter, ordered to be returned to Mr. Perrin, and he and Hon. J. N. Whitner were instructed to act for the Board in this business according to their best judgment.

The Board then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock, and closed their sessions with prayer by Rev. Mr. English.

WEDNESDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., May 8, 1861.

The Board met, according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by Dr. McBryde.

The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. Wm. Banks appeared and was enrolled.

The Board then receded from business to attend the examination of the students, which was continued till one o'clock, P. M.

The Committee on the Library, Laws, and Regulations presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Library, Laws, and Regulations beg leave

to report, that they have read with pleasure the Thirtieth Annual Report of the Faculty of this Seminary, and recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Board of Directors are deeply gratified at the evidence presented in the report of the Faculty, of the undiminished interest felt by instructors and pupils in the several departments of instruction, and at the success with which the various courses of study have been pursued, notwithstanding the drawback due to the disorganizing presence of epidemical disease during a portion of the year, and to the excitements of war during another portion.

Resolved, That we welcome with feelings of satisfaction the Perkins Professor, and hail the inauguration of this additional and hitherto unexampled department of theological instruction, with hopeful anticipations of great good to be accomplished by its means.

Resolved, That steps be taken at this session of the Board for the inauguration of the new Professor at some future day.

Resolved, That we profoundly regret the continued illness of our beloved Professor, Rev. Dr. Thornwell; that we extend to him and his family our heartfelt sympathies in this protracted trial, and that we will not cease our prayers to God for his speedy and complete restoration to health.

The committee would also report that the Library appears to be preserved with scrupulous care, and to be kept in excellent order. To make arrangements for the inauguration of Professor Woodrow, referred to in the above report, the following committee was appointed, to wit: Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., Rev. T. R. English, and Hon. J. N. Whitner.

The report of the Committee on Buildings was presented and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Buildings beg leave to report the following items as claiming the attention of the Board:

1. The cupola which formerly surmounted the central building has been removed, and that part of the roof has been made secure, and the leaks in the roofs and gutters have been repaired.

2. The Executive Committee report that, owing to the scarcity of workmen, and the consequent difficulty of making contracts, they found it impossible to carry out the instructions

of the Board in respect to erecting a hall for the accommodation of the increased number of students. To obviate in part the inconvenience thus occasioned, they have fitted up the old refectory for sleeping apartments, with five rooms, at a cost of $140. And they have remodeled the old, dilapidated stable, and fitted it up in a neat and appropriate style for a chapel, at a cost of about $400.

3. The Standing Building Committee report that some repairs around the front pediment of the central building are greatly needed, and that the lightning rod attached to that building needs immediate attention.

In respect to these matters, your committee recommend that the Board approve of the work that has been done as above described, and that the Standing Building Committee be authorized to have the repairs on the front pediment, and the lightning rod, attended to as soon as possible. The committee would also recommend that the order passed at the last meeting of the Board, for the erection of a new hall out of the funds accruing from the Bull legacy, be rescinded, in consequence of other more pressing demands upon the funds of the Seminary.

The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board be returned to the Rev. M. D. Wood, for the sermon preached by him at the opening of these sessions.

Resolved, That Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., be appointed to preach the sermon before the Board at its next annual meeting, and that Rev. R. K. Porter be his alternate.

Resolved, That hereafter the opening sermon be preached in the chapel of the Seminary.

Rev. J. G. Richards and Hon. J. H. Means, being present as an Examining Committee from Harmony Presbytery, were invited to sit as corresponding members of this body.

The election of the officers of the Board for the ensuing year was taken up, and, on motion of Dr. Wilson, the present officers were reappointed, viz:

Hon. T. C. PERRIN, *President.*
Rev. JOHN DOUGLAS, *Vice-President.*
Mr. ANDREW CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*
Rev. S. H. HAY, *Secretary.*

It was also moved and carried, that the Standing Committees for transacting the business of the Board be reappointed, and the Secretary was directed to correct the mistake made last year in inserting the name of Mr. C. Beck in the place of Mr. H. C. Bronson.

The Standing Committees are as follows:

Executive Committee.—Dr. Adger, Dr. Thornwell, J. A. Crawford, Andrew Crawford, C. R. Bryce, H. C. Bronson, and Dr. J. M. Gaston.

Building Committee.—Dr. Howe, Dr. Leland, C. R. Bryce, H. C. Bronson, J. A. Crawford, H. Muller, J. S. Scott.

Investing Committees.—J. A. Crawford and Andrew Crawford, for South Carolina, and James W. Davis and George M. Thew, for Georgia.

The Board then took recess till four o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Board reassembled, and attended on the examination of the students until six o'clock. Rev. S. Donnelly appeared and was enrolled. The Vice-President requested leave of absence after to-day's session, which was granted. The Board then took recess till eight o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Business resumed. The Committee on Ways and Means presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Ways and Means beg leave to make the following report on the several matters submitted to them:

By accompanying papers it will be seen that no change has been made in the investments of the South Carolina, the Third or "New," and the Perkins Professorship.

The report of the Investing Committee in Georgia shows the collections of notes and bonds to the amount of $9,162 05, and investments of this amount in bonds and stocks of the Georgia Railroad and Banking Company, the Alabama and Florida Railroad, and the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad.

On the report of the Treasurer for the last year, the Fourth Professorship is put at $42,229 91. His report of this year gives the amount as $40,260 79. This difference is owing to the transfer of some of its uninvested funds to the part payment of the debt on the Smyth Library, and to the depreciation of some of its notes and subscriptions. The Scholarships are the same as last year.

From the Treasurer's report there will be found a deficiency due him of $3,406 43. In times of such disturbance and embarrassment as are now upon us, and still in prospect, it is impossible to speak with any certainty of the income of the Seminary for the ensuing year, although its expenses must be very nearly the same. The claims upon your Treasury may be very safely put down as follows, viz:

Salaries of five Professors	$11,500 00
" " Hebrew Tutor	1,800 00
Insurance, say	450 00
Incidental Expenses	400 00
Balance due Treasurer	3,406 43
Total	$17,556 43

Putting the income from invested funds at the same as last year, we have to meet the above claims from—

South Carolina	Professorship	$2,202 25
Third	"	2,544 15
Georgia	"	2,200 00
Fourth	"	2,520 00
Perkins	"	3,000 00
Total		$12,466 40

To this may be added as available the balance on hand of payments from the Bull legacy, viz: $1,899 50, and the unexpended balance of payments on surplus notes and subscriptions of the Fourth Professorship, $455 18. And we hope, also, the legacy of Miss Bradley, $1,000, making the total of resources $15,821 08. This will still leave a balance due the

Treasurer at the end of the year of $1,735 35. We respectfully recommend that the deficiency in the necessary expenses of the Seminary be first met from any surplus arising from payment of notes and subscriptions due the Fourth Professorship, from receipts on the Bull legacy, and the general contributions from churches and individuals.

Your committee finds the debt due on the Smyth Library peculiarly embarrassing, more so than ever, by reason of its rapid accumulation, and the gloomy prospect of raising money to meet it in the present condition of the country. Last year your committee reported that not one cent had been paid on this debt, the principal and interest then amounting to $18,840 47. This is really alarming, when we find that in so short a time the accumulation of unpaid interest alone has raised the debt so high.

The Treasurer has made a payment on this debt during the year just closed, of $1,600. This payment, with the interest thereon, has reduced the debt barely $353 47. The amount of principal and interest due on the 25th of this month is $18,487.

Your committee cannot see the way clear to make any specific recommendation to meet this difficulty, beyond that made above for paying the deficiency due the Treasurer. After the payment of that deficit, we suggest that all funds coming in from the Bull legacy, those accruing from the surplus funds, payment of notes and subscriptions due the Fourth Professorship, the Bradley legacy, and any other funds not otherwise appropriated by order of the Board, or destination of the donor, be used in the payment of the interest on this debt, and so much of the principal as such receipts will cover. In the present monetary condition of the country we could not advise the sending out of an agent. The success of a formal and a special appeal to the churches is, for the same reason, very doubtful. Yet there are among the friends of the Seminary in the three Synods surely many able and willing to render assistance in this pressing necessity, if it were clearly made known to them. How and when this shall be done we suggest that you leave to the discretion of your Executive Committee.

Rev. R. K. Porter asked leave of absence from the remaining sessions of this body, which was granted.

The committee appointed to propose arrangements for the inauguration of Professor Woodrow, reported the following plan, which was agreed upon, to wit:

1. That the inauguration services be held at Marietta, Geo., during the sessions of the Georgia Synod.

2. That the President of the Board preside, and propound the constitutional questions to the Professor elect.

3. That an address be delivered to the Professor by some one appointed by the Board.

4. That the Professor deliver an address on some subject relating to the Department over which he presides.

On motion of Mr. Boykin, the Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., was appointed principal to deliver the address to the Professor, and Rev. T. R. English alternate.

Dr. Adger and Dr. Woodrow requested permission, through Dr. Wilson, to remove from the library certain books for their use during the vacation, which was granted.

The Board then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock. Concluded with prayer by Mr. Banks.

THURSDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Board met according to adjournment, and in the absence of the President and Vice-President, on motion of Dr. Wilson, the Rev. D. McQueen was called to the chair, who opened the meeting with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved. The Board then attended the examination of the students until its conclusion.

On motion of Mr. English, the Rev. Mr. Hay and Mr. Boykin were appointed to prepare a Minute at their leisure, to be published in the Appendix, and in the Southern Presbyterian, expressive of the feelings of this body in relation to the death of the late Mr. J. K. Douglas, who was for many years a member of this Board.

The Special Committee on the Examination of the Students of the Seminary presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

The Board of Directors having attended the examination of

the several classes on Church History and Polity, Sacred Rhetoric, and Biblical Literature, are entirely satisfied with the evidences afforded of industry and proficiency on the part of the students, of fidelity and zeal on the part of the Professors. The students have generally responded intelligently and promptly, and show that they have appreciated the great advantages which are now to be enjoyed in this institution. The Board only regret that, for the sufficient reasons mentioned in the Faculty's report, they have not had the pleasure of hearing examinations in the other interesting and important departments of study.

On motion of Dr. McBryde, the Board then adjourned, to meet at Marietta during the sessions of the Georgia Synod, at the call of the President. The sessions of the Board were closed with prayer by Mr. Donnelly.

JOHN DOUGLAS, *President.*

T. L. McBryde, *Secretary pro tem.*

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, May 9, 1861.

I.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

	Dr.	Cr.
By Balance due Treasurer last year		$964 63
" E. H. Buist, Librarian, $100; Dr. Kirkpatrick, Agent, $300		400 00
" C. P. Pelham, Printing Catalogue, $10; L. T. Levin, for Mattress, $3 50.....		13 50
" Rev. G. C. Gregg, copying manuscript, $22 32; R. W. Gibbes, Printing, $11 25.....		33 57
" Prince, for Whitewashing, $9; S. Leland, for Carpenter Work, $17 45		26 45

By A. Y. Lee, for work on chapel, $370; R. Homes, work as per bill, $132...		502 00
" H. E. Nichols, Insurance on Library, $50; Jas. Adger & Co., Insurance of Buildings, $157 50.....		207 50
" Killian & Wings, for Benches, etc., for chapel.....		70 00
" James W. Smith, Tin Guttering, $29 75; Kelly's bill for Painting, $10...		39 75
" Jas. Brown's bill, Glazing, $19 35; A. J. Barns, for Mattresses, $20.....		39 35
" C. H. Baldwin, bill Sundries, $13 13; A. C. Squier, bill Furniture, $37 05		50 18
" W. Shiver, bill for Coal, $7; Jno. J. Gracey & Co.'s bill, $10 12.....		17 12
" R. Homes, bill Sundries, $61 15; E. J. Scott, for Chandeliers, $12.....		73 15
" J. J. Kelly's bill for Painting, $13; W. Boggs, for Furniture, $3.....		16 00
" A. Palmer's bill for Gas Fitting, etc., $50 70; C. Beck's bill Lumber, $3 63		54 33
" R. M. Stokes' bills Printing, $123.....		123 00
" Dr. Leland's Salary to 1st April last, $2,000; Dr. Howe's to 1st April, $2,000.....		4,000 00
" Dr. Adger's Salary to 1st April last, $2,000; Rev. Mr. Cohen's to 1st July next, $1,725.....		3,725 00
" Nephew Scholarship to Education account.....		175 00
To Interest and Dividends on S. C. Professorship.....	$2,087 75	
" Interest and Dividends Third or New Professorship.....	2,633 25	
" Interest and Dividends Georgia Professorship.....	2,052 10	
" Edisto island Presbyterian church, through J. A. Enslow.....	80 00	
" John's Island and Wadmalaw church, Dr. Howe.....	144 80	

To a friend, through R. E. Anderson, $5; Rev. T. A. Hoyt, through Dr. Adger, $50	55 00	
" Miss R. McDowell, by J. D. Blanding, $10; J. S. Legaré, through Dr. Howe, $5	15 00	
" Presbyterian church, Montgomery, through Dr. Howe	55 00	
Balance due Treasurer	3,406 43	
	$10,529 33	10,529 33

II.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF PERKINS PROFESSORSHIP.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Interest on $30,000 City Mobile Bonds to 1st July last	$2,400 00	
By Professor Woodrow's Salary to 1st April last	750 00	—$1,650 00

III.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF BULL LEGACY.

To amount received from Perrin & Cauthern, less exchange	$2,499 50	
By amount paid Dr. Smyth Int. on Bond for library from this fund	600 00	—$1,899 50

IV.—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF FOURTH PROFESSORSHIP.

To Balance in hands of Treasurer by last year's account	$1,069 12	
" Dividends on 213 shares People's Bank	452 62	
" Interest on 11 bonds of the State of So. Carolina	660 00	
" Interest on 6 bonds City of Savannah, less discount for collection	349 12	
" Interest on 8 bonds City of Mobile	640 00	
" Dividends on 32 shares Bk. of Georgetown	72 00	

To Interest on 15 shares Washington & N. O. Telegraph Company		39 37		
" Dividends on 254 shares Farmers' & Exchange Bank, Charleston		444 50		
" A. T. Hopkins' note, $100, less commissions for collecting, 62c		99 38		
" C. A. Stillman's, through Dr. Adger		100 00		
" W. P. Campbell's payment on his note		25 00		
" J. H. Herndon's note, $50; R. G. Houston's note, $50		100 00		
" C. Mings' note, $50; W. Broughton's note, $100; J. Carter's note, $49 75		199 75		
" R. H. Nelson's note, less commissions		98 76		
By Dr. Thornwell's Salary in full to the 1st of April last			$2,500	00
" J. R. Richards, covering roof of Dr. Thornwell's house			158	94
" Dr. Smyth, paid him Interest on Bond for library from this fund			1,000	00
" George Hugims, Insurance in part on Smyth Library			50	00
" H. E. Nichols, Insurance on Dr. Thornwell's house			65	00
" Jas. Adger & Co., Insurance in part on Smyth Library			120	00
Balance to debit side			455	18
	$4,349	62	4,349	62
Balance in hands Treasurer			$455	18

STATEMENT

Of Funds invested for the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia.

V.—SOUTH CAROLINA PROFESSORSHIP THE SAME AS LAST YEAR			$27,450 00
Third or New Professorship			34,789 87
Georgia "			28,500 00
Perkins "			29,987 50
Fourth Professorship:			
32 Shares Bank of Georgetown, S. C	$896 00		
213 " People's Bank of "	5,609 50		
11 Bonds ($1,000) 6 per ct. State of South Carolina	10,172 50		
6 City of Savannah 7 per cent. Bonds	4,325 00		
15 Shares Washington and New Orleans Telegraph Company	750 00		
254 Farmers' and Exchange Bank, Charleston	6,826 25		
8 City of Mobile 8 per cent. Bonds	8,081 54		
Cash and Notes supposed good	3,500 00		40,260 79

In addition to these, the Seminary holds two notes of $10,000 each, given by Judge Perkins for certain purposes; also, a certificate of deposit of the Columbus Life and General Insurance Company for $10,000, as reported in the minutes of last year.

VI.—SCHOLARSHIPS THE SAME AS LAST YEAR.

VII.—SUMMARY.

South Carolina Professorship	$27,450 00
Georgia "	28,500 00
Third "	34,789 87
Fourth "	40,260 79
Perkins "	29,987 50
Scholarships	20,736 66⅔
	$181,724 82⅔

VIII.—DEBTS DUE PER SEMINARY.

Bond on Smyth Library, with interest	$18,487 00

IX.—CLAIMS ON TREASURY FOR ENSUING YEAR.

Salaries of Five Professors	$11,500 00
Salary of Hebrew Tutor	1,800 00
Insurance, say	450 00
Incidental Expenses	400 00
Balance due Treasurer	3,406 43
	$17,556 43

X.—RESOURCES TO MEET THESE CLAIMS.

If the income from invested funds be the same as last year, we have:

South Carolina Professorship	$2,202 25
Third "	2,544 15
Georgia "	2,200 00
Fourth "	2,520 00
Perkins "	3,000 00
Balance on hand from Bull legacy	1,899 50
Payments on surplus notes and subscriptions	455 18
Legacy of Miss Bradley	1,000 00
	$15,821 08
Deficit	$1,735 35

XI.—THE LIBRARY.

Since the last Annual Report, thirty volumes have been added to the "Old Library," and fifty-one to the Smyth Library.

Those added to the Old Library have been principally contributed by the Presbyterian Board of Publication. The fifty-one volumes added to the Smyth Library have been presented by Dr. Smyth.

The number of volumes at the present time is as follows:

Old Library	5,824 volumes.
Smyth Library	11,845 "
The whole number	17,669 volumes.

XII.—THE BUILDINGS.

The cupola which formerly surmounted the central building has been removed, and that part of the roof has been made secure.

Owing to the scarcity of workmen, and the consequent difficulty of making contracts, the Executive Committee were unable to carry out the instructions of the Board last year in respect to erecting a hall. They have, however, fitted up the old refectory for sleeping apartments, with five rooms, at a cost of $140.

The old stable has been converted into a neat chapel, at a cost of about $400. The order passed at the last meeting of the Board for the erection of a new hall has been rescinded, in consequence of more pressing demands upon the funds of the Seminary.

XIII.—THE REPORT OF THE FACULTY.

1. The whole number of students in attendance during the year has been sixty-two, viz:

RESIDENT LICENTIATES.

Names.	*Graduates of*	*Presbyteries.*
D. W. Humphreys,		Lict. South Carolina.
I. J. Long,	Centre College,	" Transylvania.

SENIOR CLASS.

Names.	*Graduates of*	*Presbyteries.*
Samuel C. Alexander,	Jefferson College,	Charleston.
Edward H. Buist,	South Carolina College,	South Carolina.
W. A. Carter,	Oglethorpe University,	South Alabama.
C. M. Hutton,	University of Alabama,	Tuskaloosa.
Robert Z. Johnson,	Davidson College,	Concord.
Jos. B. Mack,	Jackson College,	Maury.
Duncan McDuffie,	Oglethorpe University,	Harmony.
D. M. McLure,	" "	"
R. P. Nicholson,		Fayetteville.
J. M. Robinson,		South Carolina.
Isaac H. Salter,		South Alabama.
W. B. Watts,	Davidson College,	Concord.
Wm. Wiley,	Centre College,	Cand. St. Louis.
John Woodruff,	" "	Lict. South Carolina.

MIDDLE CLASS.

Names.	*Graduates of*	*Presbyteries.*
R. A. Blackford,	Washington College, Penn.,	Charleston.
Wm. Boggs,	South Carolina College,	Harmony.
Gilbert R. Brackett,		
William H. Brooks,	Washington College, Va.,	
Douglas A. Brown,	Oglethorpe University,	Harmony.
Orin Carpenter,	Cumberland University,	Lict. Nashville,
Jas. H. Colton,	University of North Carolina,	" Fayetteville.
Jas. S. Cozby,	Oglethorpe University,	Charleston.
J. Edgar Dixon,	Jefferson College,	
R. L. Douglas,	Davidson College,	Cand. Bethel.
M. W. Frierson,	University of Mississippi,	" Chickasaw.
Wm. J. Hogan,	" of Alabama,	" Tuskaloosa.
Geo. W. Ladson,	Oglethorpe University,	Lict. Georgia.
Thomas H. Law,	S. Carolina Military Academy,	Cand. Harmony.
James A. McConnell,		" New Orleans.
W. McDonald,	University of North Carolina,	" Orange.
Hugh McLees,		" South Carolina.
Jas. H. Nall,	Oglethorpe University,	" South Alabama.
J. M. P. Otts,	Davidson College,	Lict. Bethel.
Geo. L. Petrie,	Oglethorpe University,	Cand. East Alabama.
S. Parsons Pratt,	Union College,	
F. T. Simpson,	Nassau Hall,	Lict. Hopewell.
A. F. Smith,	Oakland College, Miss.,	
D. A. Todd,	South Carolina College,	Cand. South Carolina.
Chas. S. Vedder,	Union College,	Lict. Charleston.
J. F. Watson,	Davidson College,	Cand. Bethel.
R. H. White,	Jefferson College,	
John A. Woodburn,	University of North Carolina,	Cand. Orange.

JUNIOR CLASS.

Names.	*Graduates of*	*Presbyteries.*
C. A. Baker,	Oglethorpe University,	
T. P. Cleveland,	Nassau Hall,	
R. E. Cooper,	University of North Carolina,	
A. N. Ferguson,		
Edward M. Green,	Oglethorpe University,	Cherokee.
H. M. Hartfield,	Oakland College,	
Theodore Hunter,	Oglethorpe University,	
C. G. Liddell,	La Grange College, Tenn.,	Chickasaw.
W. McDuffie,	Davidson College,	
K. M. McIntyre,		
A. M. Macklin,	La Grange College, Tenn.,	Tombeckbee.
Geo. J. Porter,	La Fayette College, Penn.,	Bethel.
N. P. Quarterman,	Oglethorpe University,	
Geo. Sluter,	Westminster College, Mo.,	St. Louis, Mo.
H. C. Smith,		East Mississippi.
W. Cuttino Smith,		South Carolina.
Samuel P. Weir,	University of North Carolina,	Orange.
John A. Witherspoon.		

Messrs. Carter, Hutton, and Salter, of the Senior Class, Messrs. Colton and Petrie, of the Middle Class, Messrs. Ferguson and McIntyre, of the Junior Class, returned to their homes during the panic arising from the small pox which visited the Town of Columbia in November last, and did not resume their studies here. Mr. McIntyre subsequently obtained a dismission to the Union Seminary in Virginia. Mr. Sluter was dismissed to join the Seminary at Princeton, and the connection of Mr. White with the Seminary was brief—he having engaged in teaching. Several of the students, also, since the breaking out of hostilities between the Confederate States and the Government at Washington, have left the scene of their studies—some having gone with their fellow citizens to occupy posts of danger in the Confederate army.

We have also to record the lamented death of two of our students. Mr. J. E. DuBose, of St. Mary's, Georgia, whose many virtues and eminent piety endeared him to us, died during our vacation. And Mr. William H. Brooks, of Waynesboro', Virginia, a man much beloved and valued for his kind and cheerful disposition and cultivated taste, whose promise for usefulness was exceedingly fair, was suddenly cut off on the 27th of February last, by a rapid disease which confined him to his bed but a few hours, to the great grief of the Faculty and students, and of this community, which sympathized with us in this sad and affecting bereavement.

2. *Charitable Aid.*

This has been extended to twenty-six students, and has been derived from the scholarships, and from other funds in the hands of the Synodical Committee of Education.

Appropriations have been made from the Sustentation Fund, also, as heretofore.

3. *Studies and Proficiency.*

The following reports have been received from the several instructors:

Department of Biblical Literature.—Rev. George Howe, D. D., Professor. Rev. James Cohen, A. M., Tutor.

Notwithstanding the many interruptions occasioned by small pox, with which Columbia was visited, and the agitated state of

the country, which has affected every mind more or less, we are happy in being able to report favorably of the several Classes in this department of their studies.

The Senior and Middle Classes have read, under Dr. Howe, in Hebrew Exegesis, the Prophecies of Zechariah; and in Greek Exegesis, the Epistle to the Romans—the Hebrew exercise occurring once in the week, and the Greek twice. The Junior Class have read exegetically selections from the Four Gospels, in Greek, embracing a considerable portion of Robinson's Harmony, having three exercises weekly in this study. There have also been exercises with them in the general topics of Biblical Literature throughout the term, consisting partly of Recitations, and partly of Lectures on Hebrew Language and Literature.

Under Mr. Cohen, the grammatical instruction of the Junior Class has been conducted in part by lectures, and in part by the use of Gesenius' Grammar as a text book.

The Class have read the first eight Psalms, the first four Chapters in Genesis, and the twentieth and twenty-first Chapters in Exodus, in Hebrew, and have had some few exercises in translating from English into Hebrew.

The Middle Class have read the second, third, and fourth Chapters of Daniel, in Chaldee, using Riggs' Chaldee Manual as a grammatical guide. The Senior Class have read a portion of Bagster's Syriac Reading Lessons, and the first Chapter of Bar Hebræus' Chronicles of the Crusade of Richard I.

Messrs. Boggs, Frierson, and Vedder have constituted a voluntary class in Arabic, and besides recitations in Stewart's Arabic Grammar, have read some few chapters in the Koran.

Department of Didactic and Polemic Theology.—J. H. Thornwell, D. D., LL. D., Professor.

"I am sorry," says Dr. Thornwell, "that I am under the necessity of making a very meagre report this year. When I returned from Europe in October, I entered upon my duties with renewed ardor, and from the enthusiasm with which the students laid hold of the department, I flattered myself with

the prospect of unusual success. Everything went on finely in all the classes until the small pox dispersion.

"Soon after the return of the students in January, I was confined to my chamber by illness, and since then have undertaken to discharge no public duty. My department, consequently, has been almost a total blank during the present term. The loss to the Seniors is irreparable; for the Middle Class I hope to mitigate it."

Department of Ecclesiastical History and Church Polity.—Rev. J. B. Adger, D. D., Professor.

Dr. Adger says of the session now drawing to a close "that it has been a very unfortunate one, in several respects, to our Seminary. We were scattered for several weeks at one time by the small pox, and during months we have been agitated by those political excitements and anxieties which a due sympathy with our country made it both a necessity and a virtue to feel. There have also been an unusual number of cases of bad health amongst our students.

"All these things were calculated to retard our progress in the studies of the course. I do, nevertheless, feel able to say, and I hope I am thankful in saying it, that I have never had as much success, on the whole, in interesting my classes in the subjects of my department. The members of the Seminary whose health has admitted of close and constant application, and diligent and faithful attention through the whole term, have evinced, I am happy to say, a very gratifying interest in my text book examinations and in my lectures, notwithstanding the peculiar interruptions to which we have been exposed all through the winter."

Department of Sacred Rhetoric and Pastoral Theology.—A. W. Leland, D. D., Professor.

Dr. Leland has pursued the same course of instruction as in former years. He has conducted the Senior Class through a course of exercises upon Rhetoric and Homiletics. The Middle Class has been engaged in weekly recitations upon the Philosophy of Rhetoric, and both the upper Classes have received weekly instruction upon the composition and delivery of sermons.

Department of Natural Science in connection with Revelation.—Rev. James Woodrow, Ph. D., M. D., Perkins Professor.

Dr. Woodrow offers the following statement of his labors since he entered upon his duties: "During the few months since I entered upon my duties here, I have met the Senior Class twice a week. The subjects upon which I have lectured to them are as follows:

"The fundamental principles of Natural Science in general, and the degree of certainty which may be attached to its results; an outline of the principles of Geology, and an estimate of the confidence of which they are worthy; a review of the various interpretations given to such passages in the Bible as are supposed to be affected by Geology, with an estimate of the possible or probable truth of each; the question respecting the universality of the Noachian Deluge; the Geological evidence of the antiquity of man, and (more briefly) the monumental and other arguments on the same subject. Connected with these, various other questions have come up incidentally. Owing to want of time, the other topics belonging to the department have not been presented at all.

The members of the Class have been quite attentive to the lectures, but as I have taken no time for a review or recapitulation of the points presented, and as I have had the Class so short a time, and that during the most irregular part of an irregular year, I think it would hardly be just, either to the Class or to the department, to have a public examination."

4. *Benevolent Efforts.*

The same religious efforts of which we made mention in our last year's report, have been continued. The Missionary Church in the Sand Hills, and its Sabbath-school, have been supplied by the labors of the students, and the ordinances of God's house administered with the occasional aid of the Professors. The religious exercises and Sabbath-schools for the blacks have been continued with unabated success, and have resulted in the hopeful conversion of many of our servants to Christ. Sabbath-school instruction, under the combined labors of the students and members of the church in Columbia, has received a new impulse during the year—the larger portion of

the students being employed in these efforts, and some four hundred and forty or four hundred and fifty children and youth being under their instruction. Between five and six hundred of our colored people have been under the special instruction of members of the Seminary in this town, and Winnsboro', which has been visited for this purpose once in two weeks by a member of the Middle Class.

5. *Religious State of the Seminary.*

The state of religious feeling in the Seminary has been fluctuating, more or less, during the year. The irregularity occasioned by the interruption of our classical exercises, and the political excitement, seemed for a season to beget an irregularity in social and religious duties. But the death of Mr. Brooks, occurring so suddenly, was greatly blessed to the hearts of all, in bringing them to a consciousness of their dependence on God, their frailty, and the necessity of diligence while our day lasts. It was improved by suitable religious exercises, was followed by a day of fasting and prayer, appointed and observed by the students of their own accord, and we hope the instructions of this solemn lesson have not yet been lost. There has been an increase in the active labors of the students in promoting the cause of Christ, and these also have been followed with happy spiritual results to their own souls.

6. *Miscellaneous Items.*

The Faculty was charged by the Board to consider the expediency of establishing a fourth year's voluntary course for the benefit of such students as might choose to pursue it. While we are persuaded of the desirableness of such a course to a portion of our young men, we think the present time unfavorable for its inauguration, and can only promise to aid those in their studies who may remain at the Seminary in the capacity of resident licentiates, as they may need, and our own engagements may permit. It is proper, however, that we should bestow a greater degree of attention upon this class of our students than has been our custom, that we may ascertain their degree of proficiency and give a proper direction to their pursuits.

As soon as the contemplated alterations in the Constitution

of the Seminary were perfected by the several Synods, we had seven hundred and fifty copies of the same printed, as the Board directed, and having supplied our present students with copies, submit the remainder to the disposal of the Board. A sufficient number should always be retained in hand for the annual wants of the Seminary. Hoping that, another year, we may meet under more favorable circumstances, and that the cloud of war which now hovers over our beloved country will ere that time be dispersed, we subscribe ourselves yours in the Gospel of our common Lord.

XIV.—ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

The Board of Directors having attended the examinations of the several classes on Church History and Polity, Sacred Rhetoric and Biblical Literature, are entirely satisfied with the evidence afforded of industry and proficiency on the part of the students, of fidelity and zeal on the part of the Professors. The students have generally responded intelligently and promptly, and show that they have appreciated the great advantages which are now to be enjoyed in this institution. The Board only regret that, for sufficient reasons mentioned in the Faculty's report, they have not had the pleasure of hearing examinations in the other interesting and important departments of study.

XV.—GENERAL REMARKS.

There is but little additional to that already reported to which the Board would call the special attention of the Synods. They take pleasure in stating that Rev. Dr. Woodrow has entered upon the discharge of the duties of "the Perkins Professorship," and that arrangements have been made for his inauguration during the approaching sessions of the Synod of Georgia, at Marietta.

The debt contracted for the "Smyth Library" is large and oppressive. In the present distracted state of the country, the Board could suggest no remedy for its liquidation. Attention is now directed to the subject, with the hope that some who possess ability may feel disposed to contribute for its relief.

The following Directors go out of office at this time, whose places must be filled by a new election:

SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Ministers.	*Laymen.*
John Douglas,	Andrew Crawford,
T. L. McBryde, D. D.,	Gen. James Gillam,
J. M. H. Adams,	Burwell Boykin.
T. Smyth, D. D.	

SYNOD OF GEORGIA.

Ministers.	*Laymen.*
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R. K. Porter,	J. J. Gresham,
J. R. Wilson, D. D.,	B. King.
I. S. K. Axon, D. D.	

SYNOD OF ALABAMA.

Ministers.	*Laymen.*
J. P. McMullen,	J. M. Witherspoon,
G. R. Foster,	A. Bowie,
H. R. Raymond,	J. D. Webb.
F. McMurray.	

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL H. HAY, *Secretary.*

A Minute upon the death of James K. Douglas, ordered by the Board to be prepared and published in the Appendix:

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary have heard with deep sorrow that, since their last meeting, the venerable James K. Douglas has been removed by death. Upon an occasion so solemn, it becomes them to give expression to their feelings, and to place upon record a memorial of departed worth.

Mr. Douglas was a native of Scotland, and in that country received that careful religious training for which the land of Knox is so justly celebrated. He emigrated to this country in early life, and with well-formed habits engaged successfully in mercantile pursuits. From these he retired in the prime of manhood, and employed his leisure in extensive travel in this and foreign lands. Returning home, his time passed pleasantly

in intercourse with those friends who were near, in corresponding with those who were distant, and in discharging the various duties of life.

He was eminently kind and charitable. By his countenance and assistance, young men have acquired an education which enabled them to occupy positions of honor and usefulness. In the great book of God's remembrance are recorded many actions performed by him, which afforded relief to the needy and helpless, and caused the widow's heart to leap for joy.

Mr. Douglas was seriously impressed before he left his native land. More than fifty years ago he connected himself with the Presbyterian church at Camden, South Carolina, in which he was soon chosen a ruling elder. The interests of the Church were always dear to his heart. Those who have attended the meetings of Presbyteries, Synods, and General Assemblies, will long remember his courteous manners, and his venerable and imposing appearance. His name is found associated with the names of the founders of the Theological Seminary, and his labors for its welfare terminated only with life.

On the 13th day of November, 1860, he was removed from earth, in the triumph of faith, and in the sure hope of eternal happiness. The Board feel that, in the death of one so honored and useful, they and the institution committed to their care have lost a valued friend. With them "the memory of the just is blessed;" and they rejoice to believe that the Providence which fills them with sadness removed him to his Saviour's bosom.

ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF EDUCATION.

Andrew Crawford, Treasurer, in account with the Education Committee of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia.

Dr.

To balance in hands of Treasurer 26th Nov., 1860.....	$1,492	35
" member of Presbyterian church, Camden, through Dr. Howe.....	200	00

To dividends on 100 Shares People's Bank, Telfair Timothy Scholarship	175 00
" dividends on 50 Shares Bank of South Carolina, Lanneau Scholarship	135 00
" dividends on 44 Shares Union Bank, Charleston, Congregational and Presbyterian	154 00
" dividends on 20 Shares South Carolina Railroad and Bank, Fabian Scholarship	225 00
" dividends on 92 Shares Commercial Bank, Ellison Scholarship	184 00
" dividends on 100 Shares Farmers' and Planters' Bank, Baltimore, Blair Legacy	100 00
" dividends on 20 Shares Farmers' and Exchange Bank, Charleston	15 00
" interest on 2 City Mobile Bonds, Douglas Scholarship	160 00
" interest on Nephew Scholarship, from contingent account of Seminary	175 00
" Rev. D. D. Sanderson, subscription of Fairview church, by Dr. Thornwell	10 00
" Ladies' Sewing Society, First Presbyterian church, Columbia	50 00
" R. A. Greenan, Treasurer, session First Presbyterian church, New Orleans	427 75
" John Lewis, Treasurer Presbytery for Roswell church, $60; Summerville church, $5 25	65 25
" Master J. S., of Atlanta, Geo., $1; Dr. Adger, $1	2 00
" a Female Friend, through Dr. Adger	200 00
" Ladies' Education Society churches, Waynesboro' and Bath, by Rev. R. K. Porter, in part	54 00
" B. S. Scriven, through Dr. Leland	59 52
" Walterborough church, through Dr. Howe	30 00
" Mrs. J. M. Stevens and others, Georgia, through Dr. Hoyt	5 00
" a Graduate, for money advanced for his education	300 00
" Presbyterian church, Columbia (collection)	252 00
" Presbyterian church, Edisto island, through Rev. Mr. Lee and Dr. Howe	100 00
" W. A. Latta, Esq., through Rev. Dr. Adger	200 00
	$4,770 87

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By amount paid education of twenty-two students, viz:		
J. C. Crosby, $150; J. A. Woodburn, $150; Mr. Bracket, $150	$450 00	
E. H. Buist, $150; Mr. Woodruff, $50; A. N. Ferguson, $50	250 00	
Mr. McIntire, $50; by C. Liddell, $150; Mr. Vedder, $200	400 00	
W. McDonald, $150; H. C. Smith, 150; J. A. McConnell, $150	450 00	
J. S. Pratt, $80; Mr. Wiley, $100; D. McDuffie, $100	280 00	
Mr. Carpenter, $150; A. H. Meikle, $50; W. McDuffie, $100	300 00	
D. A. Brown, $100; A. F. Smith, $100; Mr. Hatfield, $50	250 00	
R. A. Blackford	100 00	
Paid toward board of forty-eight students	1,482 00	
" N. Carolina Presbyterian, $9; Prince, whitewashing, $5	14 00	
" R. Lewis, rent of house	85 00	
By balance cash on hand	709 87	
	$4,770 87	$4,770 87

To balance cash in hand Oct. 28th, 1861 ..... $709 87

Errors excepted.

A. CRAWFORD,
Treasurer of Education Committee.

Oglethorpe University.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF

Trustees of Oglethorpe University

To the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama.

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oglethorpe University was held in Milledgeville on the 27th of May last, in anticipation of the Annual meeting in July. At the suggestion of the Faculty, it was then determined to dispense with the Annual Commencement Exercises, and to close the college year some six weeks in advance of the usual time, after the examination of the Senior Class. The students had become restless—many of them, with the permission of their parents, had gone home preparatory to entering the Confederate army as volunteers, and it was with difficulty that even the Senior Class could be held together until their final examination.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer's Report is herewith submitted, by which it will be seen that the receipts have fallen short of the necessary expenditures. In consequence of the embarrassed condition of the country, growing out of the existing war, the collections on the old notes due to the Georgia and Florida Professorship, and on the subscription to the Fourth Professorship, have almost entirely failed. The condition, therefore, of the permament investments of these two Professorships remains just as it was when the last report was submitted to the Synods, with the exception that twenty-five dollars have been collected and added to the Georgia and Florida Professorship, and seventeen dollars to the Fourth Professorship.

Besides the balance of eighty-three dollars and seventeen cents due to the Treasurer, we owe a balance of one hundred

dollars on the salary of the President, and an unsettled balance of three or four hundred dollars to Professors Woodrow and Pratt; to meet which there is due from the Synod of South Carolina five hundred dollars, which they agreed to pay to the Tutor's Salary, and which has been advanced by the Board.

COLLEGE BUILDINGS.

The Trustees regret the necessity of reporting to the Synods that they have been unable to complete or pay for the brick building erected for dormitories. They owe a balance of about fifteen hundred dollars for the work done, and they find it impossible at present to raise the money. This balance stands as a debt due by the Building Committee, but it has been assumed by the Trustees, and is in reality their debt.

Some four years since, a few friends of the College bought and paid for the house which has been, since that time, occupied by one of the Professors. The Trustees have paid one thousand dollars, and the interest on the remaining two thousand due for this house; but it will soon be necessary to make some provision for the payment of this amount. We had looked to the legacy left to the University by a friend in Mississippi, as a fund which would relieve us from these embarrassments, but it is impossible to foresee the end of the litigation which has grown out of this bequest, or to say what will be the result.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY.

The Faculty report to the Trustees that the number of students in attendance during the year was seventy, and that their deportment has been orderly and highly satisfactory. The number of graduates who were by resolution of the Board of Trustees admitted to the first degree of A. B. was twenty-two.

The Faculty deem it highly important that the patrons of education should use their influence to restrain the young men in a course of education from leaving our College halls for the army before their full course is completed. The building up of college enterprises is the result of the labor of years, and should these organizations be interrupted, great detriment must

ensue to the solid welfare of society, as well as to the full development—physical, moral, and mental—of the individual youths who are thus interrupted in their incomplete course of instruction.

Mr. S. C. Lanier, who has been engaged as a tutor in the College for the last year, and who has filled the position to the entire satisfaction of the Trustees, has enlisted as a volunteer in the Confederate army, and will not return before April next. The number of students was so small, with a prospective diminution of receipts from other sources, that it was thought that his labors might be dispensed with until that time. The place is still kept open for him, and when the number of students and the resources of the College will warrant it, he will return to the duties of his position.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN J. GRESHAM,
E. A. NISBET, } *Committee.*

October 1, 1861.

THE TRUSTEES OF OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY IN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN J. GRESHAM, TREAS.

Income Fund.

1. *Georgia and Florida Professorship.*

1861.		Dr.		Cr.	
July 1—By Cash for Coupons Savannah City Bonds		$350	00		
" " " " Muscogee R. R. "		280	00		
" " " " South-western R.R. "		210	00		
" " " Central R. R. Dividends		260	00		
" " " Georgia R. R. "		8	00		
" " " Interest on Notes		21	00	$1,129	00

2. *Fourth Professorship.*

By Cash for Coupons Savannah City Bonds	$350	00		
" " " " South-western R.R. "	700	00		
" " " Interest paid by churches	248	00	$1,298	00

3. *Tuition, Room Rent, etc.*

By Balance from C. W. Lane	$23	21		
" Cash for Tuition	691	00		
" " " Room Rent	493	00		
" " from Synod of So. Ca. for Tutor	600	00		
" " Interest on Baldwin Co. Bonds, belonging to Education Fund	35	09		
By Balance due Treasurer	83	16	$1,925	37
To Balance due Treasurer last year	$218	86		
" Cash paid Dr. S. K. Talmage, Salary	1,600	00		
" " " Prof. Woodrow, "	450	00		
" " " S. L. Knox, "	407	00		
" " " Dr. N. A. Pratt, "	630	00		
" " " S. C. Lanier in full	550	00		
" " " Interest on Note due for Professor's house	140	00		
" " " Sophomore Prizes	10	00		
" " " Postage	3	20		
" " " Books, Periodicals, Freight, etc.	28	43		
" " " Repairs	296	38		
" " " Servant Hire as bell ringer	18	50		
	$4,352	37	4,352	37

JOHN J. GRESHAM, *Treasurer.*

July 1, 1861.

REPORT OF INVESTING COMMITTEE ON FUNDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA PROFESSORSHIP.

The Investing Committee of the Funds of the South Carolina Professorship in Oglethorpe University, Geo., in presenting their Annual Report to Synod, beg leave to state that there has been no change in the investments since their last report to your body; the sum now invested amounts to $25,282, which yields an interest of $1,704. They have been enabled for the last two years to make regular quarterly payments to your Professor, the Rev. C. W. Lane, at the rate of $1,800 per year, and your committee reluctantly express their fears in regard to their ability to meet this demand for the year to come. The report herewith presented exhibits a smaller balance on hand than any we have before presented. The interest on the City of Memphis Bonds, and the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Bonds, has not been paid, the first for twelve months and the latter for six months, making a deficit in the funds of $650. The committee have during the year received, independent of the interest on Bonds, only $159 89; $109 89 of this amount was received from Mr. John Cunningham, of Greensboro', Geo., being a part of $900 he long since reported as having collected from three notes he holds of $500 each, which your committee have succeeded in convincing him belong to your Professorship. Your committee regret that no action was taken last year by your body in regard to their recommendation, respecting the outstanding notes still in the hands of committees of our Presbyteries. These notes might be made to produce quite a sum in interest if placed in the hands of parties who would give some attention to the collection of back interest. Your committee have no means of ascertaining the amount of these notes, or of the parties holding the same. In our statement now presented, it will appear that we have collected during the past year.....$1,708 64

Balance brought down from last year..... 322 32

Making a total of $2,030 96

Paid during the year to Professor Lane...$1,800 00

" for Copying Book and Postage..... 2 75

Balance on hand this date ..... 228 21—$2,030 96

Your committee also offer the following report upon their

collections and disbursements of amounts received as per your assessment upon the churches for the Tutor's fund in the same institution. It appears from the printed Minutes that the amount assessed was $1,246 00

The committee have received.....	$847	12	
Leaving a balance yet due of.....	398	88—	$1,246 00
Paid into hand of Treasurer, J. J. Gresham,	800	00	
" Discount on Uncurrent Funds and Postage.....	1	25	
Balance on hand	45	87—	$847 12

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM HARRAL, } *Committee.*
JAS. DILLINGHAM, }

November 8, 1861.

Dr. *South Carolina Professorship in account with Wm. Harral, Chairman Committee Investment.* Cr.

1861.			1860.		
Jan'y 2	To amount paid Rev. C. W. Lane	$450 00	Nov. 1	By balance from last statement	$322 32
April 3	" " " " " "	450 00	" 1	" Six months' Interest on Memphis and Charleston Bonds	350 00
July 6	" " " " " "	450 00			
June 1	" " " for Copying Book	1 75	" 23	" Amount received from John Cunningham	109 89
Oct. 4	" " " Rev. C. W. Lane	450 00	" 30	" " " " Mt. Zion church, per E. M. Gregg	15 75
	" " " Postage	1 00			
	" " " Balance	228 21	1861.		
			Jan'y 2	" Amount received from Samuel Clark, interest on note	35 00
			" 2	" Six months' Interest on Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company's Bonds	70 00
			" 2	" Six months' Dividends on Bank of Charleston Stock	9 00
			" 2	" Six months' Interest on East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company's Bonds	60 00
			" 2	" Six months' Interest on City of Memphis Bonds	150 00
			March 1	" " " " Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company's Bonds	210 00
			May 1	" Six months' Interest on Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company's Bonds	350 00
			July 1	" Six months' Interest on Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company's Bonds	70 00
			" 1	" Six months' Interest on East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad Company's Bonds	60 00
			" 9	" Six months' Dividends on Bank of Charleston Stock	9 00
			Sept. 3	" Six months' Interest on Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company's Bonds	210 00
		$2,030 96			$2,030 96
			Oct. 31	" Balance brought down	228 21

Received during the year	$1,708 64
Balance from last year	322 32
	$2,030 96

The undersigned committee, appointed by the Synod of South Carolina to audit the Accounts of the Investing Committee on the Funds of the South Carolina Professorship, in Oglethorpe University, would state that they have carefully discharged the duty assigned them, and find all correct, and the account sustained by proper vouchers from last statement to date.

J. A. ENSLOW.
JAMES DILLINGHAM.

Charleston, November 1, 1861.

DR. *Tutor's Fund, Oglethorpe, in account with Wm. Harral, Chairman of Committee.* CR.

1861.				1860.			
February	13	To paid John J. Gresham's Draft in favor of Jas. Woodrow, Columbia	$100 00	Nov'ber	30	By am't rec'd from Adams Run church	12 62
March	13	" paid Tutor, S. L. Knox	100 00			" " " " Mount Zion church, per E. M. Gregg	25 00
April	27	" " " "	100 00	1861.			
June	10	" " John J. Gresham	300 00	January	2	By am't rec'd from Beach Island church	10 00
October	11	" " Discount on $40, check on Branch Bank, Abbeville	25	"	7	" " " " Camden church, per W. E. James	25 00
"	16	" " John J. Gresham's Draft	200 00	"	28	By am't rec'd from Stoney Creek church, per P. Williams	20 00
"	31	" " Postage	1 00	February	2	By am't rec'd from Darlington church, per W. E. James	15 00
"	"	" Balance	45 87	"	"	By am't rec'd from Salem, Little River, church, per W. E. James	15 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Lebanon church, per W. E. James	15 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Pine Tree church, per W. E. James	8 00
				"	12	By am't rec'd from Glebe Street church	27 00
				"	13	" " " " Greenville church, per James Gillam	25 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Rock church, per James Gillam	25 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Pendleton church, per James Gillam	15 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Providence church, per James Gillam	10 00
				"	16	By am't rec'd from Central Presbyterian church, per Mr. Bruns	60 00
				March	5	By am't rec'd from James Island church, per Mr. Douglas	10 00
				"	"	By am't rec'd from Walterboro' church, per Mr. Wood	20 00
				"	13	By am't rec'd from Salem church, per Mr. Cooper	25 00
		Carried forward	$847 12			Carried forward	$362 62

TUTOR'S FUND CONTINUED.

Dr.			Cr.		
1861.			1861.		
	Amount brought forward	$847 12		Amount brought forward	$362 62
			March 15	By am't rec'd from Nazareth church, per Mr. Reid	25 00
			" 26	" " " " Rocky River church, per James Gillam	10 00
			" "	By am't rec'd from Ninety-Six church, per James Gillam	5 00
			" "	By am't rec'd from Laurens C. H. church, per Jas. Gillam	15 00
			" "	By am't rec'd from Little Mountain church, per James Gillam	5 00
			" "	By am't rec'd from Washington Street church, per James Gillam	10 00
			April 9	By am't rec'd from Carolina church, per Mr. James	8 00
			" "	" " " " " Red Bluff " " "	8 00
			" "	" " " " " Zion church, Winnsboro'	15 00
			" "	" " " " " Liberty Hill church	25 00
			" "	" " " " " White Oak "	6 00
			" "	" " " " " Indian Town "	25 00
			" "	" " " " " Dr. J. A. James, Indian Town.	5 00
			" 16	" " " " " W. E. James for the following churches: Reedy Creek, $10; Great Pee Dee, $8; Bennetsville, $5	23 00
			May 3	By am't rec'd from James Gillam for the following churches: Broadaway, $5; Lebanon, $5; Good Hope, $4 50; Carmel, $6; Smyrna, $5; Rocky Spring, $8	33 50
			" "	By am't rec'd from Barnwell church, per Mr. Dickson	10 00
			" 24	By am't rec'd from Beaver Creek church, per W. E. James	8 00
			June 10	By am't rec'd from John's Island and Wadmalaw, per Mr. Dow	40 00
			July 16	By am't rec'd from Aveleigh church, per Jas. Gillam	25 00
	Carried forward	$847 12		Carried forward	$664 12

TUTOR'S FUND CONTINUED.

Dr.			1861.			Cr.	
1861.	Amount brought forward.....	$847 12			Amount brought forward.....	$664	12
			July	31	By am't rec'd from Concord church, Sumter, per W. E. James.....	15	00
			August	8	By am't rec'd from Orangeburg C. H. church, per Mr. Dickson.....	20	00
			Sept'ber	20	By am't rec'd from Zion Presbyterian church, Charleston, per Mr. Bowen.....	60	00
			"	25	By am't rec'd from A. M. Lee, Glebe Street church	8	00
			October	10	" " " " Long Cane church, per Mr. Gillam.....	40	00
			"	31	By am't rec'd from Jas. Dillingham, Second Presbyterian church.....	40	00
		$847 12				$847	12

The undersigned committee, appointed by the Synod of South Carolina to audit the accounts of the Investing Committee on the funds of the Tutorship in Oglethorpe University, would state that they have carefully discharged the duty assigned them, and find all correct, and the accounts sustained by proper vouchers to 1st November, 1861.

The sum of $15, handed in for Second Presbyterian church, after report was closed, does not appear here.

J. A. ENSLOW.
JAMES DILLINGHAM.

Charleston, November 1, 1861.

Presbyteries in Synod were assessed for Tutor's Fund.....	$1,246 00
Received for this fund to date.....	862 00
Balance due and to be collected.....	384 00
And paid to J. J. Gresham, Treasurer.....	800 00
Balance in hand of committee.....	60 87

ACCOUNT OF TREASURER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

DR. *The Southern Board of Foreign Missions in Account with H. C. Bronson, Treasurer.* CR.

1860.				1860.			
Dec. 21	To cash paid to Exchange Bank for Check on Bank of Republic, N. Y., $849 67, 3 per ct. prem., remitted Wm. Rankin, Jr., Treasurer	$875 94		Nov. 27	By cash on hand: (See Appendix to account as printed in 1860)		$548 68
Nov. 29	Paid Rev. Dr. J. L. Wilson	20 00		Dec. 3	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia		36 65
1861.				" 4	Through Wm. Harral, Synodical collection		14 00
Feb. 25	Remitted Check on N. Y., received from Farmers' and Planters' Bank, of Baltimore, to Wm. Rankin, Jr., Treasurer	160 87		" 6	Through O. A. Bowen, Treasurer, from Zion Presbyterian church, Charleston		296 61
" 25	Paid to Commercial Bank for collecting the same	85		1861.			
				Jan'y 21	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia		59 33
				" 30	Through Arthur Fogartie, from Summerville Presbyterian church		35 52
				Feb. 1	Through Rev. Henry R. Dickson, from Wilton church		26 50
				" 4	Through Commercial Bank, dividends on Legacy of John Blair, from Farmers' and Planters' Bank in Baltimore		160 87
				" 20	Through Thos. O. Rice, from a member of Circular church, Charleston		4 00
				" 20	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia		237 50
				" 28	Through Rev. A. A. Porter, from Mrs. Eliza C. Orr, Ga., for Mr. Pratt's Mission, S. A.		7 50
				March 12	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	$10 00	
				" 27	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	51 00	
							61 00
				April 4	Through J. E. Adger, Charleston, from Zion Presbyterian church Sabbath-school		50 17
	Carried forward	$1,057 66			Carried forward		$1,538 33

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT CONTINUED.

1860.		
	Amount brought forward.....	$1,057 66
Feb. 25	Paid to Exchange Bank for Check on Bank of Republic, N. Y., $349 75, 3½ per cent. prem., remitted Wm. Rankin, Jr., Treas..	362 00
Aug. 6	Paid to Rev. Dr. J. L. Wilson	666 98
Nov. 4	" " "	233 05
	Carried forward	$2,319 69

1861.			
	Amount brought forward.....	.....	$1,538 33
April 8	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia.....	.....	22 27
" 10	Through J. A. Enslow, Treasurer, from Edisto island Presbyterian church	.....	20 00
" 11	Through J. A. Enslow, Treasurer of Charleston Presbytery	.....	62 00
1861.			
April 16	Through Rev. James A. Davis, from Beersheba church.....	.....	16 00
" 16	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	.....	21 70
May 10	Through Rev. Wm. Banks, from Catholic and Pleasant Grove churches.....	.....	41 00
June 18	Through Rev. M. D. Wood, from Walterboro' church	.....	30 00
" 27	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	.....	32 85
July 8	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	.....	28 20
" 23	Through O. A. Bowen, Treasurer, from Zion Presbyterian church, Charleston.....	.....	274 29
Aug. 7	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia	.....	27 83
" 15	Through James F. Wherry, from Fishing Creek church	.....	19 00
Oct. 3	Through J. L. Harris, Treasurer, from Purity church	.....	69 30
" 21	Through Rev. M. D. Wood, from Walterboro' church	.....	20 00
	Carried forward	.....	$2,222 77

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT CONTINUED.

1860.			1861.			
	Amount brought forward.....	$2,319 69		Amount brought forward.....	.....	$2,222 77
			Oct. 31	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia.....	$47 92	
			Nov. 4	Through A. Crawford, from First Presbyterian church, Columbia.....	49 00	
						96 92
		$2,319 69				$2,319 69

H. C. BRONSON, *Treasurer.*

The foregoing account of the Treasurer has been vouched, and examined, and found correct.

J. A. CRAWFORD, *Auditor.*

November 5, 1861.

COMMITTEES OF SYNOD.

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Andrew Crawford, } Treasurer for Foreign Missions.

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Investing Committee on the Funds of the South Carolina Professorship in Oglethorpe University.

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James Dillingham.
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